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Mar. 22 Baton Rouge, E. Baton Rouge Par., Louisiana

Area: area around George Lowery's house + drive through pastoral land on outskirts of city

Time: 0745-0900 Observers: John P. O'Neill, Bill Elgey

Species:			
Zenaida macroura	4	N. Mockingbird	1
Archilochus colubris	1	Loggerhead Shrike	2
Red-bellied Woodpecker	1	Com. Starling	20
Downy Woodpecker	1	Purple Martin	2
Eastern Kingbird	1	Northern Parula	2
		Myrtle Warbler	5
Blue Jay	8	House sparrow	10
Fish Crow	2	Red-winged Blackbird	1
Carolina Chickadee	2	Red Cardinal	4
		Common Grackle	10
Tufted Titmouse	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Carolina Wren	2	White-throated Sparrow	15
		Orange-crowned Warbler	1

Notes: LSU grad students with Lowery

Dan Tallman - antbird feeding strategies

Doug Pratt - systematics Hawaiian Honeycreepers

Don Buden - zoogeography of Bahamas

Tom Schulenberg - beginning zoogeography Tangara

Gary Graves - systematics of Diglossa carbonaria complex

Bill Elgey - resource partitioning Diglossa - hummingbirds

Gary Graham - resource partitioning nectar-eater frugivorous bats - birds

Robert Kennedy - birds of a local wildlife refuge - swamp

~~Bill~~ 1

George Lowery has pictures of Ivory-billed Woodpecker taken in 1971 at a secret locality in La. - pictures look authentic - taken by local person on his backwoods property.

Mar. 25 Cherry Creek Reservoir, Arapahoe Co., Colorado

Area: brief ride around reservoir, scoping W. shore Time: 1615-1645

Observers: Steve Larson, Jack Reddall Wind: 20 S Sky: clear, sunny Temp: 50

Species:			
Mallard	10	Horned Lark	3
Common Merganser	20	W. Meadowlark	1
Am. Kestrel	1	Com. Starling	10
Herring Gull	8		
Thayer's Gull	3 (2 1st yr., 1 3rd-yr)		
Ring-billed Gull	20		

Castlewood Canyon, Douglas Co., Colo.

Area: along road in the canyon Time: 1720-1945 Observers: same

Moon: 1/4 Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 45-30

Species:	
Com. Crow	10
Brown Creeper	1
Canyon Wren	1
Am. Robin	8
Black-billed Magpie	2
Tree Swallow	3
Mallard	1
Dark-eyed Junco	1
owls	0

Comments: birds in general extremely scarce

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Mar. 30 — Socorro to Ariz. border on Hwy, New Mexico

Area: from highway in moving car except for 2 5 min. stops in pinyon-juniper habitat. Most ground snow-covered – thus the large numbers of Horned Larks and juncos on roadsides

Time: 0720 - 1003

Species:

Red-tailed Hawk	1	Mountain Bluebird	1
Am. Kestrel	5	Com. Starling	1
Red-shafted Flicker	1	W. Meadowlark	3
Horned Lark	475	House Finch	2
Scrub Jay	1	Brown Towhee	3
Com. Raven	14	Oregon Junco	10
Pinyon Jay	10	Gray-headed Junco	1
Plain Titmouse	3	junco (sp)	850
Am. Robin	1		
W. Bluebird	8		

Mar. 31 — Imperial Dam, Imperial Co. Calif

Area: briefly at West Pond, Swing Bridge, date palm rows along road below dam, and Shanty Town

Time: 0645 - 0845 Wind: 5-15 N

Species:

Double-crested Cormorant	20	Rough-winged Swallow	25
Great Blue Heron	1	Cliff Swallow	200
Great Egret	30	Com. Raven	2
Snowy Egret	20	Verdin	3
Ring-necked Duck	2	House Wren	2
Canvasback	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Lesser Scaup	20	Cactus Wren	3
Bufflehead	10	N. Mockingbird	2
Common Merganser	25	Crissal Thrasher	3
Am. Kestrel	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Gambel's Quail	20	Cedar Waxwing	6
Com. Gallinule	1	Loggerhead Shrike	2
Am. Coot	25	Com. Starling	10
Killdeer	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Spotted Sandpiper	2	Lucy's Warbler	1
Long-billed Dowitcher	5	Audubon's Warbler	3
Ring-billed Gull	20	Wilson's Warbler	3
Mourning Dove	20	Yellow-headed Blackbird	1
Com. Ground Dove	1	Great-tailed Grackle	15
Roadrunner	1	House Finch	5
Belted Kingfisher	1	Abert's Towhee	2
Gila Woodpecker	4	White-crowned Sparrow	20
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Osprey	1
Western Kingbird	1		
Tree Swallow	2000		

Brock Ranch, Imperial Co. Calif

Time: 1000-1100 Wind: 5-15 N

Species:

Red-tailed Hawk	1	N. Mockingbird	1
Mourning Dove	5	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Rufous Hummingbird	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Western Flycatcher	1	Solitary Vireo	1
Cactus Wren	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	1

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Audubon's Warbler	3	Chipping Sparrow	1
Hooded Oriole	1	White-crowned Sparrow	20
House Finch	5	Oregon Junco	1
Lesser Goldfinch	5	Lincoln's Sparrow	1

Apr. 1 Sweetwater Reservoir, San Diego Co., Calif

Area: from water company hdqts along n. shore of lake on water company roads to SE shore of lake. Time: 0810-1000 Temp: 50

Sky: mostly overcast Wind: 5-15 N Observers: Elizabeth Copper, Eldon Louder

Species:

Western Grebe	100	N. Mockingbird	1
White Pelican	5	Loggerhead Shrike	1
Double-crested Cormorant	10	Com. Starling	10
American Anhinga	1	Audubon's Warbler	1
Great Blue Heron	5	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Green Heron	1	W. Meadowlark	10
Cattle Egret	1	Red-winged Blackbird	50
Great Egret	1	House Finch	10
Mallard	5	Savannah Sparrow	5
Gadwall	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
N. Pintail	2		
Green-winged Teal	10		
Cinnamon Teal	5		
N. Shoveler	200		
White-tailed Kite	1		
Red-tailed Hawk	2		
Golden Eagle	1 im.		
N. Harrier	3		
Am. Kestrel	2		
Sora	2		
Com. Gallinule	2		
Am. Coot	100		
Killdeer	2		
Greater Yellowlegs	1		
Long-billed Dowitcher	5		
gull (sp)	100+		
Mourning Dove	5		
Western Kingbird	3		
Cassin's Kingbird	2		
Black Phoebe	2		
Violet-green Swallow	500		

Apr. 2 Lake Tami, San Bernadino Co., Calif.

Area: ~25 mi. E. of Barstow on I-15 - Harvard Av. exit. Walked around ponds once. Excellent vagrant spot - water, wet pasture, good trees, alfalfa

Time: 1600-1640 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 2-5 N Temp: 55

Species:

Eared Grebe	20	Violet-green Swallow	10
Ruddy Duck	1	Tree Swallow	30
Am. Coot	10	Barn Swallow	3
Killdeer	15	Cliff Swallow	1
Com. Snipe	3	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Long-billed Dowitcher	1	Am. Robin	2
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Black Phoebe	1	Eur. Starling	150
Gray Flycatcher	1	Audubon's Warbler	6

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House Sparrow	15	Lesser Goldfinch	2
Yellow-headed Blackbird	1	White-crowned Sparrow	15
Red-winged Blackbird	50	Lincoln's Sparrow	3
Brewer's Blackbird	200		
Bullock's Oriole	1		
Am. Goldfinch	6		

~~Apr.~~ Apr. 2 Baker → Lesser Nighthawk (2)

Apr. 4 East Mojave Desert, San Bernadino Co., Calif

Area: drove from Stuckeyl's on Cima Road to Cima Dome; walked from powerline road to White Rock and Cut Springs (2½ miles each way); drove to Mid Hills Campground and walked around entrance road looking for Crissal Thrashers and also stopping at several spots along Mid Hills Rd and Black Canyon Rd. Then drove down Cedar Canyon to Kelso where we looked around for 45 minutes. Temp: 55-70

Observers: Linda Hale Time: 0900-1700 Wind: 0-10 Sky: clear, sunny

Species:

Green-winged Teal (Kelso)	18	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Turkey Vulture	2	Audubon's Warbler	6
Red-tailed Hawk	4	House Sparrow	15
Am. Kestrel	4	W. Meadowlark	1
Mourning Dove	6	House Finch	4
Great Horned Owl	3	Pine Siskin	4
Red-shafted Flicker	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	3	Savannah Sparrow	2
Sayl's Phoebe	3	Vesper Sparrow	2
Horned Lark	1	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Scrub Jay	2	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Com. Raven	10		
Pinyon Jay	12		
Bushtit	8		
Bewick's Wren	3 - carrying nest material		
Cactus Wren	5		
Bendire's Thrasher	4		
Sage Thrasher	1		
Am. Robin	3		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3		
Loggerhead Shrike	10		
Com Starling	10		

Apr. 5 East Mojave Desert

Area: Carruthers Canyon - middle sections ~ 5700-5800' Time: 1200-1540

Observers: Linda Hale Temp: 55 Wind: 0-5W Sky: clear

Species:

Turkey Vulture	1	Crissal Thrasher	3
Cooper's Hawk	1 im.	Am. Robin	1
White-throated Swift	5	Golden-crowned Kinglet	1
Com. Flicker	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	15
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Audubon's Warbler	1
Violet-green Swallow	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	3
Scrub Jay	8	Oregon Junco	5
Plain Titmouse	4	Chipping Sparrow	4
Bushtit	5	White-crowned Sparrow	3
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1		
Bewick's Wren	5		
Canyon Wren	1		

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Apr. 7 South Coast Botanical Gardens, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

Area: looked mostly at the gulls - did not really look at the landbirds because as soon as we arrived we saw the Glaucous Gull and spent the rest of the time looking at it. Time: 0945-1020 Observers: Linda Hale

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	1	House Sparrow	2
Ring-necked Pheasant (feral)	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	4
Glaucous Gull	1 (SpAcct.)	House Finch	5
Western Gull	100	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Bonaparte's Gull	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Spotted Dove	2	Brown Towhee	4
Mourning Dove	2	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Anna's Hummingbird	2	Song Sparrow	5
Bushtit	1		
N. Mockingbird	4		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		

Apr. 8 Harbor Lake, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

Area: west and north ends of Harbor Lake Reg. Park Time: 0725-1000
Observers: Linda Hale Sky: mostly overcast Wind: 0

Species:

Eared Grebe	2	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
Pied-billed Grebe	3	Double-crested Cormorant	30
Green Heron	2	N. Mockingbird	4
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Am. Robin	1
Am. Bittern	2	Com. Starling	15
Mallard (wild)	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	2
Green-winged Teal	1	Audubon's Warbler	10
Cinnamon Teal	8	Yellow Warbler	1
N. Shoveler	2	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Ruddy Duck	20	House Sparrow	5
Sora	3	W. Meadowlark	4
Am. Coot	400	Yellow-headed Blackbird	18♂
Spotted Sandpiper	2	Red-winged Blackbird	75
Western Sandpiper	12	Tricolored Blackbird	300+
Least Sandpiper	6	Bullock's Oriole	1
Long-billed Dowitcher	20	Brewer's Blackbird	2
Black-necked Stilt	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	23
Western Gull	150	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	House Finch	5
Calif. Gull	100	Am. Goldfinch	8
Ring-billed Gull	25	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Mew Gull (first-yr)	3	Brown Towhee	5
Bonaparte's Gull	20	White-crowned Sparrow	25
Caspian Tern	4	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Rock Dove	10	Song Sparrow	15
Mourning Dove	6	Common Gallinule	1
Spotted Dove	2		
Anna's Hummingbird	3		
Red-shafted Flicker	1	Desert Cottontail	6
Western Kingbird	8		
Tree Swallow	2		
Barn Swallow	10		
Cliff Swallow	10		
Bushtit	10		

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April 10 Switzer Picnic Area, San Gabriel Mtns, Los Angeles Co., Calif.

Area: from parking lot along stream downstream ~ 1/2 mile; habitat is large Sugar Pines and live oaks in canyon bottom, surrounded mainly by chaparral. Time: 0645 – 0845 Observers: Linda Hale, Adrienne Hale, Hank and Priscilla Brodkin Wind: 0 Temp: 50-55 Sky: sunny

Species: Mountain Quail 1 (h.o.)

Spotted Owl	1 [58 steps downstream from bridge, 30 ft. up in live oak]		
Anna's Hummingbird	1		
Com. Flicker	1	Bullock's Oriole	2
Nuttall's Woodpecker	3	Purple Finch	5
Western Flycatcher	1	Pine Siskin	8
Scrub Jay	3	Lesser Goldfinch	4
Steller's Jay	5	Lawrence's Goldfinch	2
Mountain Chickadee	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Plain Titmouse	2	Oregon Junco	4
Bushtit	5	Wrentit	2
White-breasted Nuthatch	1		
House Wren	6		
Bewick's Wren	1		
Canyon Wren	2		
Hutton's Vireo	2		
Warbling Vireo	3		
Orange-crowned Warbler	3		
Black-throated Gray Warbler	4		
Yellow Warbler	4		

Apr. 23 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co., Calif. (0700 – 1630) (Paul Lehman, Linda Hale) – Am. Golden Plover 1, Harris' Sparrow 1, Palm Warbler 1, Yellow-headed Blackbird 10

Apr. 24 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif (0845 – 1200) (Linda Hale): Louisiana Heron 1, Grasshopper Sparrow 3, Bell's Vireo 2, Golden Eagle 2

Campo, San Diego Co: Lark Bunting 4

May 20 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Time: 1800 – 1930 Wind: 5-10 W Sky: clear Temp: 80

Species: feral Mallards 10 (6 ducklings)

Am. Coot	15	Red-winged Blackbird	20 (♀ carrying nest into cattails)
Spotted Sandpiper	5	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Killdeer	4	Bullock's Oriole	1
Mourning Dove	15	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	3 (2♂, 1♀)
White-winged Dove	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	20
West. Kingbird	2		
W. Wood Pewee	4		
Hammond's/Dusky Flycatcher	1		
Violet-gr/Tree Swallow	1		
Com. Raven	2		
Swainson's Thrush	1		
Com. Starling	25		
Black-and-white Warbler	1♀		
Wilson's Warbler	2		
American Redstart	1♂		
House Sparrow	20		

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May 21 Clark Mountain San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Area: easternmost patch of White Firs Time: ~~[illegible]~~ 0245 - 0900
Temp: 45-65 Sky: clear Wind: 0 Observers: Steve Cardiff, Andy Sanders, Doug and Gregg Morton, Guy McCaskie, Phil Unitt, Robert and Elizabeth Copper, Louis Bevier, Paul Lehman, Don Roberson, Tolee DeLew, Donna Dittman, Larry Ballard + wife.

Species:

Golden Eagle	1
Flammulated Owl	1 (HO)
Whip-poor-will	1 (HO)
Common Poorwill	1 (HO)
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	6 (nest found by A. Sanders) 5♂-displaying
Dusky Flycatcher	10-15 singing ♂♂
[Olive-sided Flycatcher - 1- GMcC, PL]	
Violet-green Swallow	2
Com. Raven	1
Mountain Chickadee	2 singing ♂♂
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Brown Creeper	1 - singing
House Wren	4 - singing ♂♂
Hermit Thrush	3 - singing ♂♂
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2 - "
Solitary Vireo	1 - singing ♂ - plumbeus
Warbling Vireo	1 - singing ♂
Virginia's Warbler	2 - "
Audubon's Warbler	2 - "
Black-throated Gray Warbler	3 - "
[Townsend's Warbler - 2- GMcC]	
[Wilson's Warbler - 1 - GMcC]	
[West. Tanager - 5 - GMcC, PL]	
Hepatic Tanager	1 - singing ♂
Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Black-headed Grosbeak	1 - singing ♂ + ♀
Evening Grosbeak -	2 (♂, ♀)
Grace's Warbler -	1 - singing ♂
Cassin's Finch	5 - 1 ad. ♂, 1-2 imm. ♂, 3 ♀ - plum
Pine Siskin	3
Rufous-sided Towhee	1 - singing ♂
Gray-headed Junco	2
Chipping Sparrow	1 - singing ♂
Rock Wren	1
Calliope Hummingbird	1 - displaying ♂
Lazuli Bunting	1

[Area: west patch white Fir - from Steve Cardiff]:

Broad-tailed Hummingbird	2 displaying ♂
Dusky Flycatcher	5 singing ♂
Mountain Chickadee	2 "
Red-breasted Nuthatch	2 prs.
White-breasted Nuthatch	1
Bushtit	2 prs.
House Wren	2 prs.
Hermit Thrush	2 prs

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Ruby-crowned Kinglet	- 2 prs
Warbling Vireo	1
Solitary Vireo	1 singing ♂ plumbeus
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Virginia's Warbler	5 prs.
Audubon's Warbler	3 prs.
Black-throated Gray Warbler	4 prs
Townsend's Warbler	1
Hammond's Flycatcher	2
Black-headed Grosbeak	4
Cassin's Finch	1 singing imm. ♂
Lesser Goldfinch	1 ♀
Rufous-sided Towhee	2 prs
Gray-headed Junco	1 pr.
Scott's Oriole	1 ♂

Area: from base of White Firs down to cars on road Time: 0900 - 1100

Species:	
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	5♂
Dusky Flycatcher	2
W. Wood Pewee	1
Scrub Jay	2
Plain Titmouse	1
Canyon Wren	1
Swainson's Thrush	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3
Gray Vireo	1
Solitary Vireo	2
Virginia's Warbler	2
Black-throated Gray Warbler	5
West. Tanager	2
Black-headed Grosbeak	1
[Indigo Bunting - 1♂ - S. Cardiff, D. Robertson]	
Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Black-chinned Sparrow	2
Black-throated Sparrow	2

+ Baker pond: Spotted Sandpiper 6, Wilson's Phalarope 3, Killdeer 3

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Time: 1600 - 1800 Wind: 0 - 5 W Sky: clear Observers: Steve Cardiff

Species:			
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Wilson's Warbler	4
Am. Kestrel	1 (Nest)	House Sparrow	30
Spotted Sandpiper	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
Mourning Dove	8	West. Tanager	6
White-winged Dove	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Anna's Hummingbird	1 (specimen)	House Finch	6
Western Kingbird	4	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1 (specimen)
Swainson's Thrush	2		
Com. Starling	25		
Audubon's Warbler	2		
Yellow Warbler	2		
MacGillivray's Warbler	2		
Com. Yellowthroat	1		

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May 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co, Calif.

Area: Carruthers Cyn (New York Mtns) Time: 0600-1245 Observers: Steve Cardiff
Wind: 0-10 S Sky: clear to p.c Temp: 50-60

Species			
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Solitary Vireo	2 (cassinii)
Gambel's Quail	4	Warbling Vireo	4
Mourning Dove	12	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Greater Roadrunner	2	Yellow Warbler	1
previous evening < Long-eared Owl	1 (+2 calling yg?)	Audubon's Warbler	2
Com. Poorwill	4	Black-throated Gray Warbler	5
White-throated Swift	2	Townsend's Warbler	3♂
Costa's Hummingbird	2	Hermit Warbler	1♂
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	MacGillivray's Warbler	2
Ash-throated Flycatcher	3	Wilson's Warbler	10
Hammond's Flycatcher	10	Hooded Oriole	2
West. Flycatcher	2	Scott's Oriole	4
W. Wood Pewee	2	West. Tanager	20
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	15
Violet-green Swallow	2	Lazuli Bunting	1
Scrub Jay	8	House Finch	2
Pinyon Jay	2	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Plain Titmouse	4	Red Crossbill	7 (specimen)
Bushtit	15	Green-tailed Towhee	1
Bewick's Wren	6	Rufous-sided Towhee	6
Canyon Wren	2	Black-throated Sparrow	5
Crissal Thrasher	5	Brewer's Sparrow	2
previous evening – Hermit Thrush	1		
Swainson's Thrush	3		
[Townsend's Solitaire – 1 – sc – specimen]			
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	5		

Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif. (1700-1900 – highlights): Le Conte's Sparrow 1
Great-tailed Grackle 2, Bobolink 1♂, Red-breasted Merganser 1

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.

Area: golf course, airport sewage ponds, F.C. Inn. Time: 0600-1030 [rain last night]
Observers: Steve Cardiff Wind: 15-40 S Sky: overcast Temp: 65-75

Species			
Eared Grebe	12	Say's Phoebe	2
Pied-billed Grebe	3	Willow Flycatcher	2
Snowy Egret	2	Hammond's Flycatcher	1
Feral Mallard	2	West. Flycatcher	2
Cinnamon Teal	1	West. Wood Pewee	175+
Red-breasted Merganser	1		
Ruddy Duck	10	Olive-sided Flycatcher	8
Turkey Vulture	2	Violet-green Swallow	1
Prairie Falcon	1 (caught Mourning Dove)	Rough-winged Swallow	2
Sora	1	Barn Swallow	2
Com. Gallinule	1	Cliff Swallow	1
Am. Coot	40	Com. Raven	15
Spotted Sandpiper	8	N. Mockingbird	1
Mourning Dove	75	Swainson's Thrush	4
White-throated Swift	4	Cedar Waxwing	25
hummingbird (sp)	2	Com. Starling	40
Western Kingbird	20	Solitary Vireo	2 (cassinii)

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Warbling Vireo	5	[Summer Tanager - 1♀ - SC]	
Tennessee Warbler	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	15
Lucy's Warbler	4	Indigo Bunting	3
Yellow Warbler	25	Lazuli Bunting	1
Northern Waterthrush	1	Evening Grosbeak	1
MacGillivray's Warbler	1	House Finch	5
Com. Yellowthroat	8	Pine Siskin	2
Wilson's Warbler	40	Le Conte's Sparrow	1
House Sparrow	40	Brewer's Sparrow	1
Bobolink	1♂	[White-crowned Sparrow - 1 - SC - oriantha]	
W. Meadowlark	2		
Yellow-headed Blackbird	5		
Red-winged Blackbird	6		
Bullock's Oriole	1		
Brewer's Blackbird	2		
Great-tailed Grackle	2	[♀ carrying nest material]	
Brown-headed Cowbird	30		
Western Tanager	40		

Salt Creek, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Area: flowing small stream through tamarisks ~ 1/4 mi. E of Hwy between Baker and Shoshone Time: 1400-1420 Observer: Steve Cardiff

Species: Willow Flycatcher	1	Verdin	1
West. Flycatcher	1	Wilson's Warbler	5
W. Wood Pewee	10	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Barn Swallow	1	MacGillivray's Warbler	2

Kelso, San Bernardino Co. Calif

Time: 1540-1830, 1900-1920 Observers: Steve Cardiff Wind: 0-20 W

Sky: overcast, drizzle to light rain Temp: 55

Species: (Red-tailed Hawk - 1 - SC)		Wilson's Warbler	8
Mourning Dove	10	House Sparrow	25
White-winged Dove	2	Hooded Oriole	2
Rock Dove	2	Bullock's Oriole	2
Lesser Nighthawk	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
hummingbird (sp)	1	Western Tanager	2
Vaux's Swift	1 (late)	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Western Kingbird	40	House Finch	6
Cassin's Kingbird	2	Pine Siskin	5
Western Flycatcher	8	Lesser Goldfinch	1
W. Wood Pewee	7	Chipping Sparrow	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Say's Phoebe	1
Barn Swallow	4		
Cliff Swallow	30		
Com. Raven	1		
Swainson's Thrush	7		
Com. Starling	15		
Warbling Vireo	3		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		
Yellow Warbler	2		
Townsend's Warbler	1		
MacGillivray's Warbler	3		
Com. Yellowthroat	1		
Yellow-breasted Chat	1		

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May 24 — Lake Tami San Bernardino Co. Calif

Time: 0640-0820 Wind: 5-15 W Sky: Light rain - overcast Temp: 50-55

Species:			
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Yellow Warbler	5
Feral Mallard	8 (+6 chicks)	MacGillivray's Warbler	1
Am. Coot	10	Wilson's Warbler	15
Spotted Sandpiper	4	House Sparrow	20
Killdeer	4	Yellow-headed Blackbird	2 (pr.)
Mourning Dove	10	Red-winged Blackbird	10 (1 juv.)
West. Kingbird	1	Bullock's Oriole	1
Willow Flycatcher	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	10
Hammond's Flycatcher	1		
West. Wood Pewee	10		
Bank Swallow	1		
Rough-winged Swallow	2		
Barn Swallow	8		
Cliff Swallow	4		
Swainson's Thrush	1		
Com. Starling	5		
Warbling Vireo	1		

Helso, San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Time: 1105-1310 Wind: 0-5 W Sky: low overcast, rain nearby Temp: 60

Observers: Steve Cardiff

Species:			
Turkey Vulture	1	Yellow Warbler	4
Mourning Dove	10	Audubon's Warbler	1 (late)
Black-chinned Hummingbird	1♀ (on nest)	MacGillivray's Warbler	3
Calliope Hummingbird	1♀ (late)	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1	Wilson's Warbler	15
West. Flycatcher	5	Yellow-breasted Chat	1
Willow Flycatcher	2	American Redstart	1♀
Hammond's Flycatcher	1	House Sparrow	20
W. Wood Pewee	15	Yellow-headed Blackbird	2♂
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2	Bullock's Oriole	2
Barn Swallow	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Violet-green Swallow	4	West. Tanager	8
Cliff Swallow	2	Black-headed Grosbeak	2
Com. Raven	2	House Finch	5
Swainson's Thrush	10	Pine Siskin	4
Com. Starling	8	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Solitary Vireo	1	Lark Sparrow	1 (late)
Warbling Vireo	1		

Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Time: 1430-1640 Wind: 0 Sky: overcast Temp: 65 Observers: Steve Cardiff

Species:			
Prairie Falcon	1	Barn Swallow	1
Bonaparte's Gull ~147g	1 im. (specimen)	Com. Raven	1
Mourning Dove	5	Swainson's Thrush	1
Anna's Hummingbird	1 im. ♂	Cedar Waxwing	1
Costa's Hummingbird	1	Com. Starling	2
Willow Flycatcher	2	Warbling Vireo	1
Western Flycatcher	1	Tennessee Warbler	1 (spec)
Hammond's Flycatcher	1	Wilson's Warbler	1
W. Wood Pewee	5	MacGillivray's Warbler	1

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House Sparrow	10	White-throated Swift
Bullock's Oriole	1	
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	
West. Tanager	5	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♂ (spec)	
Black-headed Grosbeak	2	

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Essex, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Time: 1700-1720 Observer: S. Cardiff Wind: 0-2

Species:

West. Kingbird	1	House Sparrow	10
West. Flycatcher	1	Hooded Oriole	2
Hammond's Flycatcher	1	West. Tanager	2
W. Wood Pewee	4	Blue Grosbeak	1♂
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Pine Siskin	2
Verdin	1		
Swainson's Thrush	1		
Com. Starling	2		
Wilson's Warbler	1		

Kline felter, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Time: 1750-1945 Observer: S. Cardiff Wind: 0

Species:

Gambel's Quail	1	Phainopepla	3
Mourning Dove	10	Com. Starling	3
Costa's Hummingbird	2	Lucy's Warbler	7
Long-eared Owl	4	Wilson's Warbler	1
Lesser Nighthawk	2	House Sparrow	10
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	8
West. Kingbird	1	Hooded Oriole	4 (nest)
Ash-throated Flycatcher	3	House Finch	5
Sayis Phoebe	1	Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	2
West. Flycatcher	1	Cassin's Kingbird	1
W. Wood Pewee	8		
[Olive-sided Flycatcher - 1-SC]			
Cliff Swallow	2		
Verdin	4		
Cedar Waxwing	1		

May 25 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Area 1: upper Fenner Wash, Hackberry Mtn, Ford Dry Lake Time: 0700-0900

Temp: 50-60 Sky: sunny Wind: 0-5 E

Species:

Eared Grebe	2	Rock Wren	1
Bufflehead	3	Bendire's Thrasher	1
Gambel's Quail	2	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Mourning Dove	2	Phainopepla	1
Gr. Roadrunner	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
White-throated Swift	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	2	House Finch	2
Sayis Phoebe	2	Black-throated Sparrow	5
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2	Great Horned Owl	1- last night
W. Wood Pewee	2		
[Olive-sided Flycatcher - 1-SC]			
Horned Lark	100		
Verdin	2		
Cactus Wren	2		

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Area 2: Kelso Time: 1015-1210 Wind: 0-10 W Sky: sunny, p.c. Temp: 60-65

Species				
Am. Kestrel	1		Warbling Vireo	5
White-winged Dove	1		MacGillivray's Warbler	5
Mourning Dove	6		Com. Yellowthroat	1
Black-chinned Hummingbird		N/2y	Wilson's Warbler	3
Costa's Hummingbird		1	House Sparrow	20
Ladder-backed Woodpecker		2	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Say's Phoebe		1	West. Tanager	5
Willow Flycatcher		1	? Summer Tanager	1 (HO)
West. Flycatcher		5	House Finch	5
W. Wood Pewee		3	Black-headed Grosbeak	2
Olive-sided Flycatcher (spec)	testis 8mm	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Barn Swallow		2		
Swainson's Thrush		5		
Com. Starling		5		
Solitary Vireo		1 (plumbeus)		

Area 3: Round Valley - Goat Holes; sagebrush - juniper Time: 1245-1320

Species:				
Cassin's Kingbird		1	Hooded Oriole	2 (W/c - 11' cottonwood Goat Holes)
Say's Phoebe		1	Scott's Oriole	8
Pinyon Jay		1	House Finch	2
Horned Lark		2	Black-throated Sparrow	4
LeConte's Thrasher		4 (2 juvs)	Brewer's Sparrow	2
Bendire's Thrasher		1	Green-tailed Towhee	1

Area 4: Carathers Cyn; oak patch + vicinity Time: 1500-1600

Species:				
Long-eared Owl		4	Audubon's Warbler	1 (late)
White-throated Swift		4	Townsend's Warbler	2♂
Costa's Hummingbird		1	MacGillivray's Warbler	2
Cassin's Kingbird		1	[Yellow Warbler - 1 - S. Cardiff]	
West. Flycatcher		3	Wilson's Warbler	8
Dusky Flycatcher		1	Scott's Oriole	1
Hammond's Flycatcher		4	West. Tanager	8
Scrub Jay		3	House Finch	2
Plain Titmouse		1	Rufous-sided Towhee	4
Bushtit		4	[Green-tailed Towhee - 2 - SC]	
Canyon Wren		1	[Sage Sparrow - 1 - SC - nesting? - not singing]	
Crissal Thrasher		2	Black-chinned Sparrow	1
Swainson's Thrush		3		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		3		
Warbling Vireo		1		
Orange-crowned Warbler		1 (singing - same spot as May 22 - nesting?)		

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Area 1: Live Oak + Keystone Cyns (New York Mtns); walked up from base of the mountains up Live Oak and over the ridge to Keystone, and then returned down Keystone Time: 0630-1100 Temp: 40-65

Sky: clear Wind: mostly calm

Species:				
Golden Eagle	1 ad		Western Flycatcher	6
Com. Screech-Owl	2 (night May 25)		Hammond's Flycatcher	3
Great Horned Owl	1 (")		Willow Flycatcher	1
Com. Poorwill	2 (")		W. Wood Pewee	5
Anna's Hummingbird	2 (1 ad♂ 1 im♂)		Scrub Jay	5
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	7 (5♂, 2♀)		Pinyon Jay	6
Costa's Hummingbird	2		Plain Titmouse	4
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2		Bushtit	6

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Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Bewick's Wren	10
Canyon Wren	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3
Solitary Vireo	3 (2 cassinii, 1 u.)
Warbling Vireo	2
Gray Vireo	2 (both singing)
Virginia's Warbler	1 (singing ♂)
Black-throated Gray Warbler	7
MacGillivray's Warbler	4
Wilson's Warbler	6
West. Tanager	4
Scott's Oriole	2
Black-headed Grosbeak	3
House Finch	4
Pine Siskin	1
Lesser Goldfinch	2
Rufous-sided Towhee	5
Green-tailed Towhee	1
Black-chinned Sparrow	1
Rufous-crowned Sparrow	1 (si

Area 2: Fourth of July Cyn (Pinyon-Jun-Oak)
Time: 1200 - 1400 Wind: 2-10 W Temp: 60 Sky: clear

Gambel's Quail	1
Anna's Hummingbird	1 im. ♂
Costa's Hummingbird	1
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	1 ♂
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2
White-throated Swift	4
West. Flycatcher	3
Hammond's Flycatcher	2
W. Wood Pewee	2
Scrub Jay	8
Plain Titmouse	1
Bushtit	4
Bewick's Wren	4
Crissal Thrasher	1
Swainson's Thrush	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	4
Phainopepla	1
Warbling Vireo	1
Audubon's Warbler	1 (late)
~~Black-throated Gray Warbler~~	~~1~~
Wilson's Warbler	2
MacGillivray's Warbler	2
Scott's Oriole	1
West. Tanager	3
Black-headed Grosbeak	1
House Finch	3

May 27 East Mojave Desert

Area 1: Fort Pinte Time: 0630 - 1215 Observers: Steve Cardiff
Wind: 5-10 W (until 0730); calm afterwards Temp: 50 - 75 Sky: sunny
Note: winds from west all last night; clouds moving over from west

Gambel's Quail	4
Mourning Dove	2
White-winged Dove	1 (s)
Great Horned Owl	1 (last night)
Com. Poorwill	2 (")
[White-throated Swift - 1 - SC]	
Costa's Hummingbird	2 (♂, ♀)
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	2 (N/y?, 14' up, willow)
Ash-throated Flycatcher	3
Black Phoebe	1 (s)
Willow Flycatcher	5
Hammond's Flycatcher	1
Western Flycatcher	17
W. Wood Pewee	4
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2
Verdin	6 (4 terr. pairs)
Cactus Wren	1
Canyon Wren	1
Swainson's Thrush	7

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[Hermit Thrush - 1 - SC] late - specimen

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Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	11 (8 territories) - N/c?	30' willow
Cedar Waxwing	1	
Warbling Vireo	14	
Black-and-white Warbler	1♀	
[Orange-crowned Warbler - 2-SC]		
Yellow Warbler	2	
[Townsend's Warbler - 1-♀] SC		
MacGillivray's Warbler	7	
Kentucky Warbler	1♀	
Ovenbird	1	
? Canada Warbler	1 - glimpse	
Yellow-breasted Chat	2 (singing ♂♂)	
Wilson's Warbler	28	
American Redstart	2 (♀, im. ♂)	
Brown-headed Cowbird	1♂	
Hooded Oriole	3	
Western Tanager	8	
Hepatic Tanager	2♀	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1 im. ♂ - specimen	
Black-headed Grosbeak	3	
Indigo Bunting	1 im. ♂	
bunting (sp)	1	
House Finch	7 (5 territories)	
Pine Siskin	2	
Lesser Goldfinch	1	
Phainopepla	3	

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co. Calif.

Area: golf course Time: 0530-1000 Observers: Linda Hale, Hank + Priscilla Brodkin, + 40 other birders Temp: 60-80 Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear

Species:

Eared Grebe	1	Cedar Waxwing	5
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Com. Starling	20
Green Heron	1	Warbling Vireo	1
Red-breasted Merganser	1♀	(Black-and-white Warbler - 1)	
Ruddy Duck	5	Lucy's Warbler	3
Turkey Vulture	2	Audubon's Warbler	1
Am. Coot	25	Yellow Warbler	3
Com. Gallinule	1	Bay-breasted Warbler	1♂
Sora	1	Com. Yellowthroat	3
Spotted Sandpiper	1	Yellow-breasted Chat	1
Am. Avocet	1	Wilson's Warbler	7
Rock Dove	1	House Sparrow	20
Mourning Dove	20	W. Meadowlark	2
White-throated Swift	15	Yellow-headed Blackbird	2
West. Kingbird	20	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Eastern Kingbird	1	Scott's Oriole	1 im. ♂
Say's Phoebe	4	Bullock's Oriole	5
West. Wood Pewee	15	Hooded Oriole	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	30
Com. Raven	15	West. Tanager	10
N. Mockingbird	2	(Hepatic Tanager - 1♀)	
(Bendire's Thrasher - 1 - K. Garrett, G. McCastle)		Black-headed Grosbeak	3

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(Rose-breasted Grosbeak - 1)

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Blue Grosbeak	2	Savannah Sparrow	1 (late)
Indigo Bunting	1♂	Spizella (sp)	1
Lazuli Bunting	2	Great-tailed Grackle	2
		Bobolink	1♂

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Area: Kelso Time: 1400-1430 Observers: Linda Hale

Species: Rock Dove	2	Bullock's Oriole	1
Mourning Dove	2	West. Tanager	2
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
West. Flycatcher	1	House Finch	8
W. Wood Pewee	3	House Sparrow	15
Phainopepla	1♂		
Yellow Warbler	1	(+ Virginia's Warbler - 1 - H. Brodkin)	
Wilson's Warbler	2	(MacGillivray's Warbler - 1 - ")	
Red-winged Blackbird	1♂im.		

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East Mojave Desert

Area 1: Fort Piute Time: 0530-1100 Temp: 55-85 Sky: clear

Wind: 0-5W (5-10W until 0730) Observers: Linda Hale, Kimball Garrett, Lee Jones, Barry and Terry Clark, Hank and Priscilla Brodkin, Bill Principe, Clyde Bergman

Species: Golden Eagle	2 ad.	Yellow Warbler	2
Gambel's Quail	2	MacGillivray's Warbler	3
Mourning Dove	2	(Northern Waterthrush - 1 - KG)	
[Great Horned Owl - 1 - LH, HB)		Yellow-breasted Chat	2
Long-eared Owl	4	Wilson's Warbler	20
Com. Poorwill	3	(Am. Redstart - 1♂ - KG)	
Costa's Hummingbird	1♂	Brown-headed Cowbird	1♂
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	2	Hooded Oriole	2
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2	Bullock's Oriole	1
Black Phoebe	1	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♂
West. Flycatcher	10	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Willow Flycatcher	1	Lazuli Bunting	1♂
West. Wood Pewee	5	Pine Siskin	1
Verdin	5	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Cactus Wren	1	(Green-tailed Towhee - 1 - KG)	
Canyon Wren	1	(Chukar - (HO) - HB)	
Swainson's Thrush	5		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	12		
Phainopepla	4		
Warbling Vireo	8		

Area 2: Kelso Time: 1430-1515 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear Temp: 90

Species: Red-tailed Hawk	1	Wilson's Warbler	1
Prairie Falcon	1	Am. Redstart	2♂
Mourning Dove	4	House Sparrow	10
Black-chinned Hummingbird	N/1' yg	(Yellow-headed Blackbird - 2 - HB)	
West. Kingbird	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
West. Flycatcher	1	Bullock's Oriole	1
Com. Starling	4	West Tanager	5
Swainson's Thrush	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
MacGillivray's Warbler	1	House Finch	6
(Yellow-breasted Chat - 1 - H. Brodkin)		Lesser Goldfinch	1
		(Blue Grosbeak - 1 - HB)	

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May 30 **Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.** Linda Hale

Area: golf course Time: 0530-0815 Observers: Hank + Priscilla Brodkin + 30 others
Temp: 60-80 Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear

Species:

Eared Grebe	1	Yellow-breasted Chat	1
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Wilson's Warbler	2
Snowy Egret	1	Cape May Warbler	1♂
Cinnamon Teal	1	House Sparrow	25
~~Ruddy Duck~~ Red-breasted Merganser	4	W. Meadowlark	1
Am. Coot	10	Yellow-headed Blackbird	8
(Virginia Rail - 1)		Red-winged Blackbird	10
Mourning Dove	10	Hooded Oriole	1
West. Kingbird	5	Bullock's Oriole	1
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1	Great-tailed Grackle	1
Say's Phoebe	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	30
West. Wood Pewee	2	West. Tanager	4
Rough-winged Swallow	2	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♀
Com. Raven	15	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Phainopepla	1♂	Blue Grosbeak	2
Com. Starling	20	Indigo Bunting	1♂ (+5, GMC)
Warbling Vireo	1	Lazuli Bunting	1♀
Yellow Warbler	2		
MacGillivray's Warbler	3		
Com. Yellowthroat	5		

+ Mesquite Springs: Blue Grosbeak

Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 0945-1200 Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 90 Observers: Linda Hale, Chris Carpenter, Joe Morlan, Dale + Linda DeLaney (+ 15 others), Hank + P. Brodkin

Species:

American Coot	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Mourning Dove	2	Yellow Warbler	1
White-throated Swift	1	Ovenbird	1
Costa's Hummingbird	1	MacGillivray's Warbler	2
West. Kingbird	1	Wilson's Warbler	5
Hammond's Flycatcher	1	House Sparrow	5
West. Flycatcher	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
W. Wood Pewee	3	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Com. Raven	2	Lazuli Bunting	1♂
Swainson's Thrush	1	House Finch	10
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	2		
Cedar Waxwing	5		
Com. Starling	5		
Warbling Vireo	1		

Deep Springs Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.

Time: 1600-1645, 1715-1745 Observers: Don Roberson, Guy McCaskie, Phil Unitt, Kimball Garrett, Lee Jones, Joe Morlan, Chris Carpenter, Donna Pittman, Terry and Barry Clark, Elizabeth + Robert Copper et. al. Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear

Species:

Am. Kestrel	1	Willow Flycatcher	1
Killdeer	2	W. Wood Pewee	4
N. Pintail	1	Violet-green Swallow	1
Mourning Dove	4	Com. Raven	2
West. Kingbird	5	Bewick's Wren	1

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Canyon Wren	1 ad (nestling found by others)		
Cedar Waxwing	1	Common Grackle	1
Com. Starling	25	Brown-headed Cowbird	30
Ovenbird	1	West. Tanager	2
MacGillivray's Warbler	1	Summer Tanager	1
Wilson's Warbler	2	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♂
Yellow-headed Blackbird	10	House Finch	5
Red-winged Blackbird	2		
Bullock's Oriole	1		
Brewer's Blackbird	15		

+ Oasis Ranch, Mono Co.: Northern Parula 1♂, Tennessee Warbler 1

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co. Calif

Time: 0610 - 0940 Observers: Joe Morlan, Chris Carpenter, Don Roberson, Donna Dittman, Dale + Linda Delaney, George and John Sterling

Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 55-70

Species: Eared Grebe	8	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	MacGillivray's Warbler	3
Cinnamon Teal	1	Am. Redstart	1 im.♂
N. Pintail	2	W. Meadowlark	2
Redhead	2	Yellow-headed Blackbird	75
Am. Kestrel	4	Red-winged Blackbird	15
Calif. Quail	1	Brewer's Blackbird	40
Spotted Sandpiper	1	Bullock's Oriole	15
Mourning Dove	5	West. Tanager	3
Long-eared Owl	1	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♂ (+1♂)
Barn Owl	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	8
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	1♂	Lazuli Bunting	1♂
Red-shafted Flicker	1	House Finch	10
West. Kingbird	8	Brewer's Sparrow	4
Cassin's Kingbird	1		
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	1		
Say's Phoebe	1		
West. Wood Pewee	2		
Hammond's Flycatcher	1		
Pinyon Jay	2		
Black-billed Magpie	3		
Com. Crow	1 (Ho)		
Com. Raven	1		
Bewick's Wren	1		
House Wren	1		
Am. Robin	10		
Cedar Waxwing	2		
Com. Starling	15		
Solitary Vireo (cassinii)	1		
Warbling Vireo	15		
Northern Parula	1♂		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		
Tennessee Warbler	3		
Golden-winged Warbler	1♂		
Yellow Warbler	12		
Blackpoll Warbler	1♂		
Wilson's Warbler	15		

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May 31 [cont] **Deep Springs, Inyo Co., Calif**

Time: 1000–1200 Observers: same Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear Temp: 70-75

Species			
Eared Grebe	1	Wilson's Warbler	3
Green Heron	1	Am. Redstart	1♂ (+1♂, JM)
Am. Kestrel	2	Yellow-breasted Chat	1
Mourning Dove	2	House Sparrow	20
West. Kingbird	8	Yellow-headed Blackbird	10
West. Flycatcher	2	Brewer's Blackbird	25
West. Wood Pewee	1	Com. Grackle	1
Barn Swallow	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	20
Com. Raven	1	Bullock's Oriole	1
N. Mockingbird	1	West. Tanager	5
Am. Robin	1	Summer Tanager	1♂
Swainson's Thrush	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	5
Com. Starling	10	House Finch	10
Yellow Warbler	4	Lesser Goldfinch	1
MacGillivray's Warbler	2	Pine Siskin	1

June 5 **Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.**

Area: From 1 mi. off Pt. Pinos to 15-20 mi off Pt. Pinos and return Time: 0830–1435
Wind: 10-20 NW Water: very rough, choppy Sky: mostly low overcast inhibiting visibility until about 1300 hrs – then clear. Observers: Joe Morlan, Don Roberson, Mary Louise Rosegay, Bud Fry, Art Edwards + 25 others.

Species			
Common Loon	1	Northern Phalarope	3
Arctic Loon	8	West. Gull	40
Black-footed Albatross	20	Calif. Gull	2
Northern Fulmar	1 (white)	Black-legged Kittiwake	1 imm.
Sooty Shearwater	65	Common/Arctic Tern	1
Pink-footed Shearwater	4	Com Murre	15
Brown Pelican	3	Cassin's Auklet	9
Brandt's Cormorant	40	Dall's Porpoise	5

Comments: I have never seen Monterey Bay so devoid of birdlife. Half-hours would go by without seeing a single bird of any kind – most of the birds were found in one area not far off Pt. Pinos. This lack of birds was not just because of the poor visibility – it was just as bad when we could see the horizon. The boat skipper said it had been this way for a week or so. I never imagined birds could be so scarce here

+ Pt. Pinos (1 hour 1600-1700): Wilson's Phalarope 1, migrant landbirds 0

June 7 **Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.**

Area: Mendoza Ranch; the entire time was spent trying to see the White-eyed Vireo in the northernmost row of trees (cypresses) where it had been found in mid-morning by Don Roberson and Bob Richmond Time: 1315–1715
Wind: 10-25 NW Sky: low overcast Temp: 55-60 Observers: Joe Morlan, Don Roberson, Bob Richmond, Tim Manolis, Georgianne Manolis, Susanne Luther, Mary Louise Rosegay, Ann Follis, Mike Wihler

Species			
Turkey Vulture	2	Barn Swallow	4
Killdeer	1	Com. Starling	2
Mourning Dove	2	White-eyed Vireo	1 ad.
Tree Swallow	1	House Sparrow	5
Rough-winged Swallow	2	Red-winged Blackbird	1
Cliff Swallow	5	Brewer's Blackbird	2

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Brown-headed Cowbird	1	White-crowned Sparrow	1
House Finch	2		
Am. Goldfinch	3		
Savannah Sparrow	1 (HO)		

June 14 Pt. Reyes

Area: Mendoza Ranch; Nunes Ranch and draw to the west of Nunes; Drake's Fish Docks. Time: 0710-1645 Observers: Joe Morlan

Wind: 0-2 Sky: low overcast, some drizzle Temp: 55-60

Common Loon	15 (1 BP)	Red-eyed Vireo	3
Arctic Loon	10	Black-and-white Warbler	1♂
Red-throated Loon	8 (2 BP)	Tennessee Warbler	2
Brown Pelican	1	Magnolia Warbler	1♂
Brandt's Cormorant	2	Cape May Warbler	1♂
Ruddy Duck	5	Myrtle Warbler	1♂
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Chestnut-sided Warbler	1♂
Surf Scoter	100+	Bay-breasted Warbler	2♂
Black Scoter	1♂	Com. Yellowthroat	3
Turkey Vulture	12	Am. Redstart	3 [2 in ♂, 1
Red-tailed Hawk	4	House Sparrow	30
Am. Coot	2	Red-winged Blackbird	2
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	Brewer's Blackbird	25
Western Gull	100	Brown-headed Cowbird	8
Bonaparte's Gull	1	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	6 (3♂, 3♀)
Mourning Dove	15	Black-headed Grosbeak	1♀
Great Horned Owl	1	Bunting (sp)	1
Allen's Hummingbird	5	House Finch	45
Willow Flycatcher	1	Pine Siskin	20
Horned Lark	2	American Goldfinch	50
Rough-winged Swallow	10	Savannah Sparrow	20
Barn Swallow	35	White-crowned Sparrow	110
Cliff Swallow	6	Song Sparrow	30
Purple Martin	1♂		
Com. Raven	12		
Bewick's Wren	5	Red-legged Frog	1
Long-billed Marsh Wren	2		
Swainson's Thrush	2	+ Olema: Indigo Bunting	♂
Com Starling	60		

Comments: the majority of the vagrant passerines were seen not in the cypress trees at the usual spots but in 2 gulches on the north-facing slopes of the arroyo towards the ocean (W) from Nunes Ranch; These gulches were covered with a dense growth of poison-hemlock 3-6 ft tall and it was this plant that the birds were concentrating on — lots of bugs when shaken - they also secondarily preferred flowering lupines. These gullies were very "birdable" - we could refind just about everything and the birds stayed below eyelevel, although hard to see in the dense growth. These weedy gullies have probably never been looked at before and many good birds have undoubtedly been missed. These gullies are potential habitat for field and deciduous undergrowth birds which are unlikely to be found in the cypresses.

We had just finished the row of trees at Nunes when I heard a Spizella fly over out towards the west and into the gully. We never found the Spizella but while down in

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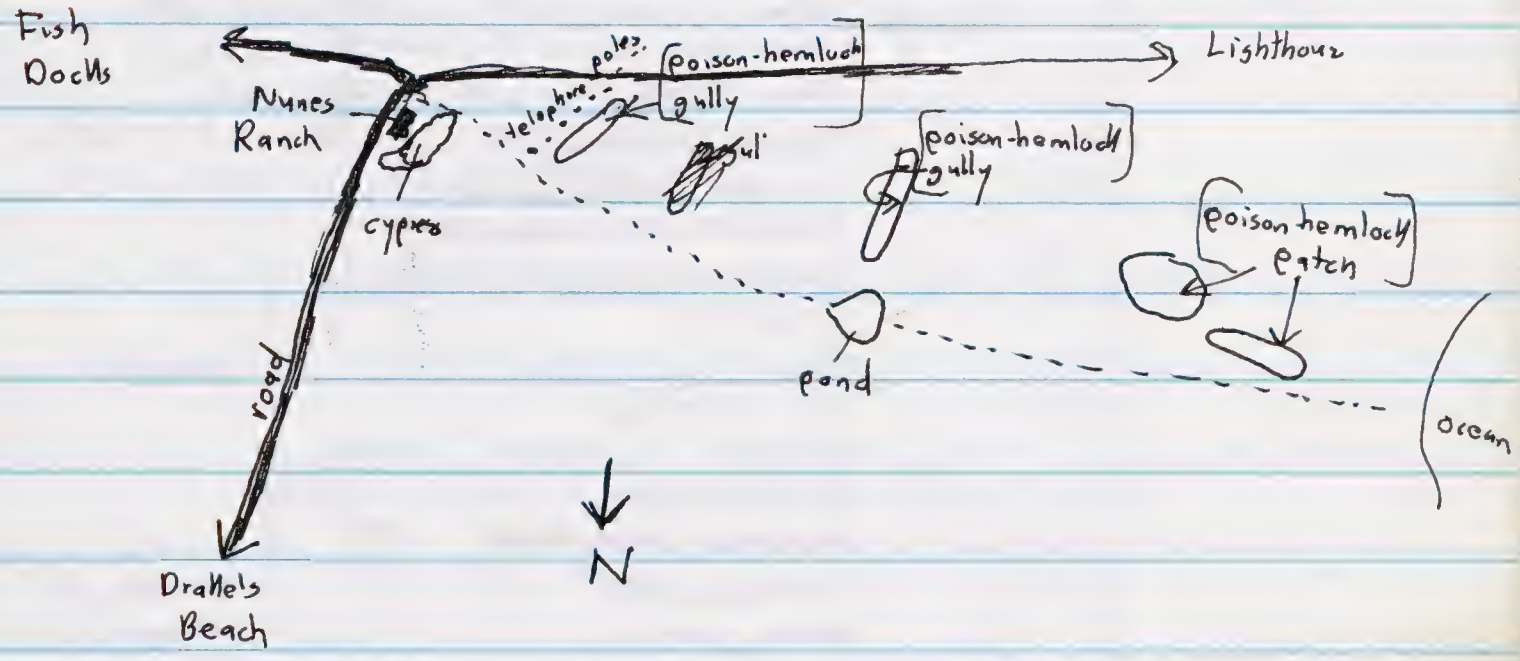
the arroyo, we heard an "eastern" warbler song up in one of these gullies and we tracked it down to an imm. ♂ Am. Redstart. Then all hell broke lose as we then began to find birds: Bay-breasted, Tennessee, Black-and-white, Magnolia, another Tennessee, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, and Red-eyed Vireo!. — all within 100 yds. of each other. After we left, we stopped at an overlook above Nunes to see if we could see any more poison-hemlock canyons. Back in the same arroyo, but closer to the ocean were 2 more clumps, to which we returned after lunch. The first new gully had Chestnut-sided Warbler, Red-eyed Vireo, ♀ Rose-breasted Grosbeak, and ♀ Am. Redstart; The next gully (closest to the ocean) had only a ♂ Rose-breasted Grosbeak but we may have overlooked lots of birds there because (1) it was the tallest and densest clump (2) it was 4 PM and bird activity, especially singing by the vagrants, had stopped, (3) we were very tired.



June 18 **Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.**

Area: from 1 mi off Pt. Pinos N. to Monterey Canyon and then back again to area off Pt. Pinos. Time: 0830–1430 Water: very rough, choppy all day Sky: low overcast all day but horizon always visible Observers: John and Susanne Luther, Alan Craig, Bruce Elliott, Chris Carpenter, Gary Zamzow, Garth Alton, Donna Dittman, Ron Branson, Bob Kelly (Miami – Math Dept., U. Miami – friend of Alan Baldridges

Species:				
loon (sp)	1		Heermann's Gull	50
Brown Pelican	3		Common Murre	15
Brandt's Cormorant	4		Pigeon Guillemot	1
Black-footed Albatross	10		Ancient Murrelet	1
Northern Fulmar	3 (interim)		Rhinoceros Auklet	4
Pink-footed Shearwater	25		Cassin's Auklet	125
Sooty Shearwater	5000			
Western Gull	60			

June 19 **South Coast Botanical Gardens, Los Angeles Co., Calif** : Chimney Swift 2

Chemehuevi Wash, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Area: the wash intersects the Hwy 19.0 mi. N. of Vidal Junction. The wash is 50+ yds wide and the dominant vegetation is large Palo Verde with some *Acacia greggii* and *Dalea spinosa*. Seemed to have a very high density of birds, small mammals, and lizards. One of the best washes I've seen in California in terms of height of vegetation. We came here in search of the Pyrrhuloxias found ~ 2 wks ago by BLM personnel

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Chemehuevi Wash [cont]

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Species: Ash-throated Flycatcher 6
Greater Roadrunner 1
Com. Raven 1
Verdin 10
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher 4
Loggerhead Shrike 1
Gambel's Quail 10
Pyrrhuloxia 2 (♂+♀)
Black-throated Sparrow 4

Time: 1700-1830
Observers: Linda Hale

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif

Area 1: Keystone Canyon from the mine at the end of Keystone Cyn rd down to the lower edge of the canyon where the mine road takes off to the south up the steep slopes, 5440 – ~6300 ft

Time: 0515-0900, 1430-1630 Observers: Steve Cardiff, Linda Hale
Temp: 53– Sky: clear, some high thin clouds Wind: 0-10 W

Species: Com. Screech Owl 1 (h.o.-last night)
[Great Horned Owl – 1 – h.o. – LH – last night)
Com Poorwill – 1 – h.o. – last night
[Anna's Hummingbird – 1 im.♂ – LH) – singing
Costa's Hummingbird 10
Ladder-backed Woodpecker 1
Ash-throated Flycatcher 4
Scrub Jay 4
Mountain Chickadee 6 (1 speci)
Plain Titmouse 3
Bushtit 8
Bewick's Wren 6
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 6
Warbling Vireo 1 (singing ♂)
Gray Vireo 4 (singing)
Scott's Oriole 1
Black-headed Grosbeak 2
House Finch 4
Rufous-crowned Sparrow 1 (specimen)
Black-throated Sparrow 2

Area 2: from mine at Keystone W. up slopes to saddle and then up the ridges to the NW to the edge of the White Firs. Time: 0900 – 1045, 1345 – 1430 Observers: Steve Cardiff

Species: White-throated Swift 4
Anna's Hummingbird 1 im.♂
Western Wood Pewee 3
Dusky Flycatcher 2 – singing
Mountain Chickadee 4
Plain Titmouse 2 – at 6800'
Bushtit 3
Bewick's Wren 4
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 2
Warbling Vireo 1 – singing
Black-throated Gray Warbler 3
Black-headed Grosbeak 4
Rufous-sided Towhee 1
Black-chinned Sparrow 2
Rock Wren 2
Canyon Wren 2
Golden Eagle 2 ads.

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Area 3: White Fir stand and surrounding canyon. There are about 10 big (> 30' high) firs and about 20 small ones. Time: 1045 – 1345
Observers: Steve Cardiff Temp: 75 Wind: 0-5

Species:

Cooper's Hawk	1 im.
Red-tailed Hawk	1
Golden Eagle	2 ads.
White-throated Swift	5
Anna's Hummingbird	1♀
Dusky Flycatcher	1 pr. (Nest/4 eggs in White Fir seedling)
Violet-green Swallow	8
Mountain Chickadee	2 (1 singing)
Bushtit	2
Bewick's Wren	1
Rock Wren	4
Canyon Wren	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Audubon's Warbler	1♂ - singing
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Painted Redstart	1 pair (♂ singing)
Hepatic Tanager	1 pair
Black-headed Grosbeak	2 (1 singing ♂, 1♀)
Lesser Goldfinch	1 - flying over
Rufous-sided Towhee	1 - singing

June 21 Kingston Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Area: From our campsite [about one mile W. of Horse Thief Spring on a dirt road that takes off to the south from an E-W section of the Tecopa Pass. Rd; we were ~½ mi S. of main road] up a valley opening from the Kingstons to the north. If section squares were to be drawn on a topo map of the area, our campsite would be T 19 N, R 10 E, Sec. 4, NE¼. We walked south // to the blue wash in Sec "4" to Sec. "9" where the wash narrows. We then walked up a side canyon in the NW¼ of Sec. 9. This steep rocky canyon we followed to the summit on the ridge – a burned over open area - very grassy. From the ridge we could see the white firs across the horseshoe-shaped canyon about a mile away. This side canyon was hard walking – some small rocky cliffs and lots of dense brush in the wash. This summit, actually a saddle, shows up in the extreme NW corner of NW¼ Sec. 16. We then contoured across the south side of the ridge whose summit is close to the "0" in "7060" in Sec. 16. By the time we reached the next saddle it was 1200 and not enough time to get to the firs and back to the car before dark. It looked like a 2 hr. walk from the saddle to the firs and the firs are scattered down 2 steep canyons near their summits in the NW extreme corner of Sec "21" or NE or Sec "20". Steve Cardiff had come prepared to stay overnight and so he took off for the firs. Linda Hale and I descended down through the canyon just over the saddle to the north. This canyon was the main canyon and much easier walking than the side canyon – a much better route for the ascent. This canyon

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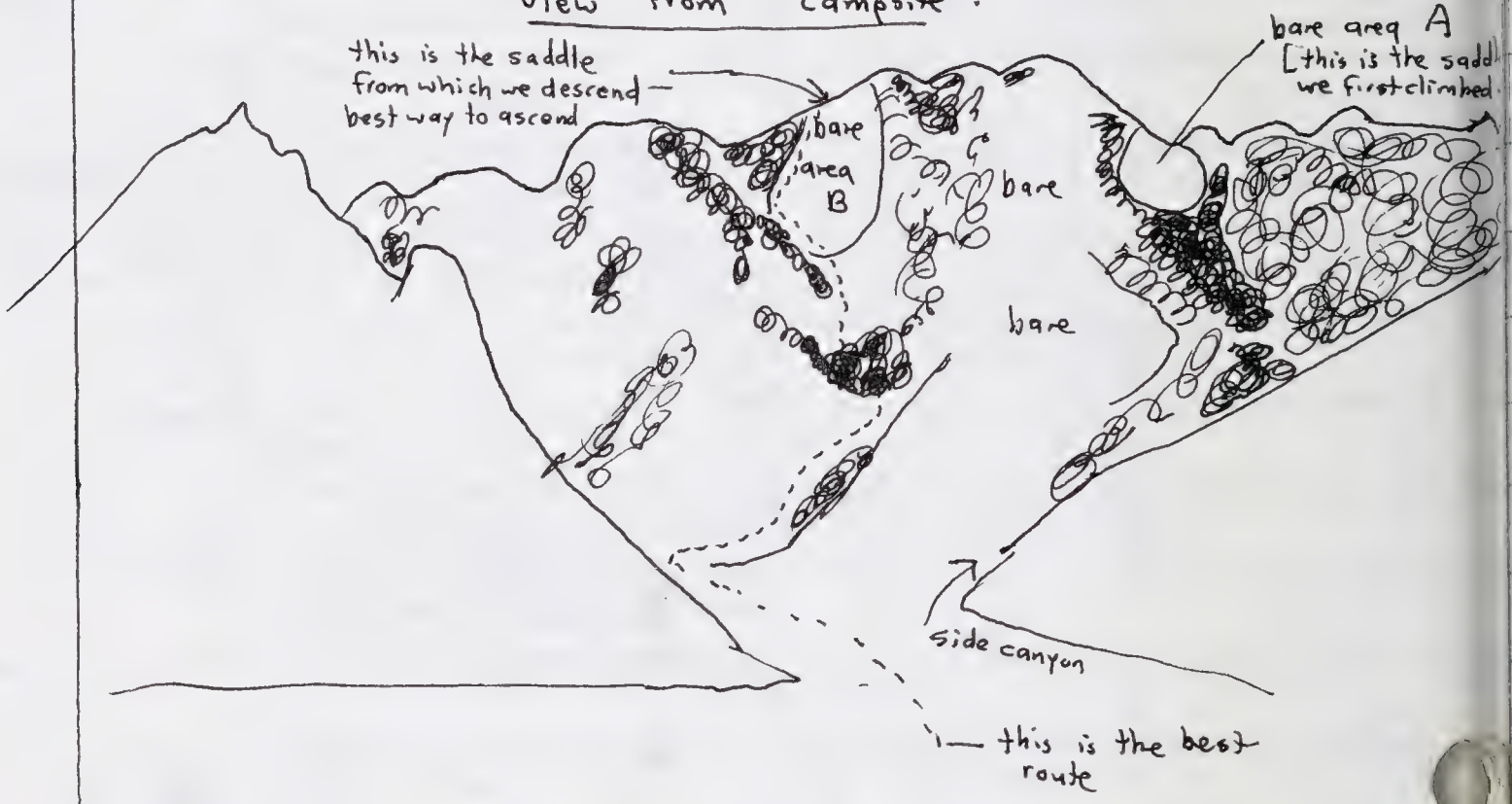
is the blue wash drawn on the topo map and is to the east of the canyon we ascended. The walking is OK except for the last 1/4 mile to the summit of the saddle – very steep and slippery.

view from campsite:



We reached the saddle at Bare Area A at 1000 (leaving campsite at 0630) and got to Bare Area B. at 1145. Starting down from B at 1215, we reached camp at 1500 going slowly.

Many of the bare areas were the result of fire, and there does not appear to be any regeneration of trees – no seedlings seen. The remaining pinyon forest is fairly tall. There are scattered junipers. No oaks. Garrya very common. Also a tall yucca, perhaps a Nolina is scattered on the slopes – those at summit were still in flower. The brush in the gullies looks like a Ribes – looks like the same stuff that's on Clark Mtn.

The firs looked like they should have good populations of montane birds. We had 4 Hepatic Tanagers, 4 ♂ Dusky Flycatchers, and 4 W. Wood Pewees, 2 Hairy Woodpeckers, and a ♀ Cassin's Finch miles from the nearest firs.

Time: 0530 – 1530, 1815 – 2130. Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Cardiff
Temp: 60 – 90 Wind: 0 – 10 Sky: partly cloudy

Area 1: [pinyon belt, 0700 – 1415]

Red-tailed Hawk	1
White-throated Swift	5
Costa's Hummingbird	2 ♂
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	1 ♀ – assumed not to be Rufous
Hairy Woodpecker	2
Great Horned Owl	2
Com. Poorwill	1
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2
Dusky Flycatcher	4 – singing ♂♂
Western Wood Pewee	4 – " " . 1 ♀ building nest
Violet-green Swallow	15
Com. Raven	1

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	Scrub Jay	2
June 21	[Plain Titmouse — none seen or heard!]	
	Bushtit	12
[cont]	Bewick's Wren	10
	Canyon Wren	3
	Rock Wren	5
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	15
	Warbling Vireo	1 - singing
	Solitary Vireo	2 - singing [- one each just below each
	Orange-crowned Warbler	1 saddle - race uncertain]
	Black-throated Gray Warbler	10
	Hepatic Tanager	4 - 2♂♂, 2♀♀ - [all between two saddles
	Scott's Oriole	4 along ridge]
	Cassin's Finch	10
	Lesser Goldfinch	1
	House Finch	15
	Rufous-sided Towhee	5 - one carrying food
	Chipping Sparrow	2
	Black-chinned Sparrow	5
	Black-throated Sparrow	2 - on south facing slopes below B.A. "B"
	Black-headed Grosbeak	4
	Panamint Chipmunk	10+
	Mojave Rattlesnake	1 - reddish brown color, rocky wash, mitchelli habitat, color - but definitely diamond pattern on back

Area 2: below Pinyon Belt - rocky slopes plus flat valley - brush covered flats (Purshia, Salvaria, Chrysothamnis, etc) and brushy wash - (Lycium andersoni etc). 0530-0700, 1415-1530, 1815-2130.

Species:

Mourning Dove	1		
Costa's Hummingbird	1	Leopard Lizard	1
White-throated Swift	2	Whiptail	3
Com. Poorwill	3	Rock Squirrel	1
Rock Wren	4	Desert Cottontail	4
Canyon Wren	1		
Crissal Thrasher	2		
Loggerhead Shrike	1		
Brown-headed Cowbird	1 (f.o.)		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♂		
House Finch	5		
Black-throated Sparrow	12		
Black-chinned Sparrow	1		
Gambel's Quail	1		

June 22 **Kingston Range**

Area 1: from campsite (same as yesterday) to lower limit of pinyons in the side canyon leading to bare area A. Time: 0530-0730, 0900-1000

Temp: 65-80 Sky: clear Wind: 0-5

Species:

Gambel's Quail	1	[Blue Grosbeak - 1♂ - LH]
[Great Horned Owl - 1 - LH]		Black-throated Sparrow 18
Com. Poorwill	1	[Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - 8 - LH]
Com. Raven	4	[White-throated Swift - 2 - LH]
Rock Wren	2	
Crissal Thrasher	1	
Loggerhead Shrike	2	
Brown-headed Cowbird	8	
[House Finch - 3 - LH]		

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Area 2: lower edge of pinyons in side canyon leading to Bone Area A. Time: 0730-0900

Species:

White-throated Swift	2	House Finch	4
Sayl's Phoebe	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Bewick's Wren	1	Black-throated Sparrow	1
Rock Wren	2		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	2		
? Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1-h.o.		

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Eared Grebe	1 -	Ford's Dry Lake	Turkey Vulture	1 - Cima Dome
Lesser Nighthawk	2 -	Ft. Piute		
Com. Screech Owl	- 3 (1 ad, 2 juv) -	shed nr. Cedar Cyn		
Crissal Thrasher	- 4 -	Carruthers Cyn		
Black-headed Grosbeak	- 1 -	"		
Hooded Oriole	1♀	"	- carrying nest material	
Rufous-sided Towhee	1 -	Ft. Piute	- very low elevation	
Lesser Goldfinch	- 1 -	Cedar Cyn.		
Bendire's Thrasher	- 2 -	Lanfair V		
Horned Lark	150+ -	Ford's Dry L.		

June 23 East Mojave Desert

Area: Fort Piute Time: 0545-1215 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 0-2 W Sky: clear Temp: 65-95

Species:

Am. Kestrel	1	Red-eyed Vireo	1 singi
Gambel's Quail	80	Tennessee Warbler	1 singi
Mourning Dove	10 (N/2e)	Worm-eating Warbler	1
Com. Poorwill	3 (last night)	Com. Yellowthroat	1♂ - singing, son different from Calif. birds - east. va
Lesser Nighthawk	2 (last night		
Costa's Hummingbird	1♀	Hooded Oriole	5
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	2	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	2♀♀ + 2♂♂ (f
Ash-throated Flycatcher	8		
Verdin	8	Indigo Bunting	4 (3♂♂, 1♀
Cactus Wren	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	15	Black-throated Sparrow	2
Loggerhead Shrike	1		

Desert Horned Lizard 1, Long-tailed Brush Lizard 1

June 24 East Mojave Desert

Area: Kelso Time: 0610-0720 Wind: 0-5 Temp: 70 Sky: clear Observers: Linda H

Species:

Mourning Dove	1	Phainopepla	1
Costa's Hummingbird	1♂		
Western Kingbird	3		
Sayl's Phoebe	1		
Com. Raven	4		
Com. Starling	6		
Lucy's Warbler	1		
House Sparrow	25		
Yellow-headed Blackbird	2 (♂, ♂)		
Bullock's Oriole	1♂		
Brown-headed Cowbird	3		
House Finch	25		
Lesser Goldfinch	1		

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Area 2: vicinity of Cottonwood Spg., Granite Mountains; climbed up into lower edge of pinyon-juniper Time: 0750-0925 Temp: 80+ - hot
Wind: 0 Sky: clear Observers: Linda Hale

Species:

Am. Kestrel	1	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	4
Costa's Hummingbird	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	1 (specimen)
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Scott's Oriole	1
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1	House Finch	2
Scrub Jay	5	Black-throated Sparrow	2
Plain Titmouse	4		
Bushtit	5		
Bewick's Wren	3		
Canyon Wren	3	Cactus Wren	2
Rock Wren	2		

(Crissal Thrasher - 1 - LH)

Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif.

Area: E.H. McConnell Ranch Time: 1000-1100 Observers: Linda Hale
Temp: ~95 Sky: clear Wind: 0

Species:

Mourning Dove	1	House Finch	1
N. Mockingbird	1		
Phainopepla	1	Common Snipe	1 - long dead
House Sparrow	15		
Summer Tanager	1♀		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1♀		

June 29 McGrath State Beach, Ventura Co., Calif.

Area: walked in along south side of stream from bridge on highway to SE corner of mudflats. Time: 0545-0720 Wind: 0 Sky: p.c. Temp: 60
Observers: Linda Hale, John Sterling, John Parmeter, Steve and Gene Cardiff, Doug Morton, Dale and Linda DeLaney, Herb and Olga Claille.

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	1	Forster's Tern	40
Brown Pelican	10	Anna's Hummingbird	1
Green Heron	1	Black Phoebe	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	15	Cliff Swallow	50
Mallard	2	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Ruddy Duck	2	House Sparrow	3
Killdeer	2	Red-winged Blackbird	3
Wilson's Plover	1	Blue Grosbeak	1♂
Black-bellied Plover	23	House Finch	5
Semipalmated Plover	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Snowy Plover	8	Savannah Sparrow	2
Ruddy Turnstone	3	Song Sparrow	3
Willet	75		
Greater Yellowlegs	1		
Least Sandpiper	5		
Western Sandpiper	1		
Sanderling	5		
Short-billed Dowitcher	1		
Black-necked Stilt	2		
Am. Avocet	10		
West. Gull	100		
Heermann's Gull	1		
Bonaparte's Gull	50+		
Caspian Tern	10		

Comments: Almost the entire time was spent studying the Wilson's Plover and little attention given to the rest of the birds

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Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.

Area 1: Five Brook Stables area; walked from parking lot around back side of the pond and then ~ 1/2 mi up Stewart Trail which has beautiful Douglas Fir - Bay forest and Bigleaf Maple - Alder stream bottoms. Time: 0630-0745 Observers: Linda Hale, Stephen F. Bailey Temp: 55-60 Sky: clear Wind: 0

Species			
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Swainson's Thrush	10
Red-shouldered Hawk	2	West. Bluebird	1
Am. Coot	1	Golden-crowned Kinglet	2
Band-tailed Pigeon	2	Hutton's Vireo	4
Allen's Hummingbird	2	Warbling Vireo	3
Acorn Woodpecker	12	Northern Parula	1♂
Hairy Woodpecker	2	Wilson's Warbler	8
Downy Woodpecker	1	House Sparrow	4
Black Phoebe	1	Red-winged Blackbird	5
West. Flycatcher	5	Brewer's Blackbird	5
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Lazuli Bunting	1
Violet-green Swallow	40	Purple Finch	4
Tree Swallow	6	House Finch	2
Rough-winged Swallow	2	Pine Siskin	6
Cliff Swallow	5	Am. Goldfinch	2
Barn Swallow	10	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Steller's Jay	10	Brown Towhee	4
Com. Crow	2	Oregon Junco	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	8	Chipping Sparrow	1
Bushtit	12	Song Sparrow	10
Pygmy Nuthatch	4		
Brown Creeper	2		
Wrentit	3		
Winter Wren	5		
Am. Robin	2		

Area 2: outer Point Reyes; Mendoza Ranch, poison-hemlock gully near Nunes Ranch, Fish Docks and walk to Chimney Rock, Drake's Beach, Schooner Bay (brief stop) and roads. Time: 0820 - 1245

Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 65 [Fog and wind came in ~1100]

Species			
Common Loon	6	Wandering Tattler	1 [first arr.]
Arctic Loon	15	Willet	3
Red-throated Loon	25	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Western Grebe	20	West. Gull	400 (20 chick on Chimney Rock)
Brown Pelican	15		
Brandt's Cormorant	75	Ring-billed Gull	5
Pelagic Cormorant	40	Bonaparte's Gull	2
Great Blue Heron	1	Heermann's Gull	30
White-winged Scoter	5	Com. Murre	40
Surf Scoter	40	Pigeon Guillemot	8
Black Scoter	17	Tufted Puffin	2
Red-breasted Merganser	5	Mourning Dove	2
Turkey Vulture	3	Horned Lark	1
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Barn Swallow	10
Northern Harrier	1	Com. Raven	2
Am. Kestrel	1	[Red-breasted Nuthatch - 1-SB]	
Black Oystercatcher	2	Rock Wren	1
Killdeer	2	Eur. Starling	200

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House Sparrow	25	Am. Goldfinch	10
W. Meadowlark	1	Savannah Sparrow	8
Brewer's Blackbird	8	Grasshopper Sparrow	1
Brown-headed Cowbird	3	White-crowned Sparrow	8
House Finch	2		
Pine Siskin	2		

Comments: No migrants were seen at any of the vagrant traps, except a Red-breasted Nuthatch by SFB at Drake's Beach; the sky was absolutely clear in the morning not only on Pt. Reyes but the entire Bay Area.

July 13 Tilden Regional Park, Contra Costa Co. Calif.

Area: walk around Jewel Lake Observers: Linda Hale Time: 0815-0940
Sky: overcast, no sun Temp: 60 Wind: 0

American Coot	3 (2 juvs.)	Warbling Vireo	3
Caspian Tern	1 (overhead)	Orange-crowned Warbler	7
Band-tailed Pigeon	1	Wilson's Warbler	4
Mourning Dove	7	House Sparrow	3
Allen's Hummingbird	1	Red-winged Blackbird	20
Anna's Hummingbird	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Downy Woodpecker	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	2
Black Phoebe	1	Purple Finch	3
W. Wood Pewee	6	House Finch	3
Olive-sided Flycatcher	2 (N/yg)	Am. Goldfinch	8
Violet-green Swallow	4	Rufous-sided Towhee	6
Barn Swallow	2	Brown Towhee	6
Scrub Jay	1	Oregon Junco	1
Steller's Jay	10	Song Sparrow	5
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	10	Feral Mallard	10
Plain Titmouse	2		
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1		
White-breasted Nuthatch	1		
Wrentit	6		
Bewick's Wren	3		
Am. Robin	5		
Swainson's Thrush	15		

July 31 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co. Calif.

Time: 1020-1300 Observers: Linda Hale, Stephen F. Bailey, Vickie Dziadosz
Wind: 5-10 W Temp: 75-80 Sky: sunny, some high overcast Tide: incoming to high

Brown Pelican	5	Willet	40
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Lesser Yellowlegs	1
Great Blue Heron	1	Least Sandpiper	10
Great Egret	2	Western Sandpiper	400
Snowy Egret	8	Sanderling	50
Cinnamon Teal	2	Short-billed Dowitcher	25
Oldsquaw	1	Marbled Godwit	15
Surf Scoter	1	Am. Avocet	6
Semipalmated Plover	25	Western Gull	10
Killdeer	2	Calif. Gull	15
Black-bellied Plover	20	Ring-billed Gull	3
Black Turnstone	2	Heermann's Gull	2
Long-billed Curlew	2	Forster's Tern	60
Whimbrel	1	Common Tern	30

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Least Tern	1	Barn Swallow	2
Elegant Tern	23	Am. Goldfinch	1
Caspian Tern	1	Song Sparrow	1
Mourning Dove	4		

Aug. 6 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza

Area: mudflats and beaches around radio stations. Time: 1100-1230
Tide: a high-low, +2 - +3 Observers: Linda Hale, Suzanne Luther
Wind: 5 W Sky: cloudy Temp: 65-70

Species: Brown Pelican	1	Am. Avocet	15
Double-crested Cormorant	3	Western Gull	5
Snowy Egret	1	Ring-billed Gull	2
Semipalmated Plover	15	Heermann's Gull	1
Killdeer	1	Common Tern	10
Black-bellied Plover	20	Forster's Tern	75
Ruddy Turnstone	1	Caspian Tern	3
Black Turnstone	3	Elegant Tern	8
Long-billed Curlew	2	Song Sparrow	1
Whimbrel	1	Willet	25
Marbled Godwit	20		
Short-billed Dowitcher	10		
Western Sandpiper	20		
Red Knot	3		
Sanderling	5		

Aug. 14 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza

Time: 1015-1215 Tide: from low to high - incoming
Observers: Don Roberson Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear, sunny Temp: 70

Species: Double-crested Cormorant	1	Short-billed Dowitcher	8
Snowy Egret	5	Am. Avocet	25
Clapper Rail	2	Western Gull	5
Semipalmated Plover	10	Calif. Gull	2
Killdeer	1	Ring-billed Gull	3
Black-bellied Plover	8	Heermann's Gull	2
Ruddy Turnstone	4	Common Tern	65
Black Turnstone	3	Forster's Tern	125
Long-billed Curlew	1	Elegant Tern	3
Whimbrel	1	Mourning Dove	10
Marbled Godwit	15	Am. Goldfinch	1
Willet	20	Song Sparrow	1
Wandering Tattler	5		
Western Sandpiper	150		
Least Sandpiper	2		
Sanderling	75		

Aug. 28 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza

Time: 1100-1230, 1600-1700 Tide: very High (AM), very low (PM)
Observers: James Wolstencroft Wind: 0 Temp: 75-90 Sky: clear

Species: Brown Pelican	2	Semipalmated Plover	25
Double-cr Cormorant	10	Black-bellied Plover	10
Great Blue Heron	2	Killdeer	2
Snowy Egret	12	Ruddy Turnstone	1
White-winged Scoter	10	Black Turnstone	21
Surf Scoter	4	Wandering Tattler	2
Am. Kestrel	1		

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Willet	100	Ring-billed Gull	5
Greater Yellowlegs	1	Heermann's Gull	2
Long-billed Curlew	5	Mourning Dove	2
Whimbrel	4	Rock Dove	2
Marbled Godwit	30	Belted Kingfisher	1
Short-billed Dowitcher	10	Barn Swallow	1
Red Knot	3	House Finch	3
Western Sandpiper	2000	Song Sparrow	4
Sanderling	200	Elegant Tern	60
Am. Avocet	25	Common Tern	35
Western Gull	25	Forster's Tern	75
Calif. Gull	5		

+ Doolittle Pond, Alameda: Bufflehead 1♀

Aug. 30 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif

Area: Fish Docks (looking for a Prairie Warbler which was seen here yesterday and this morning), Mendoza Pond + roads on outer point

Time: 1515-1815 Wind: 15-35 N (land-birding nearly impossible)

Temp: ?60-70 Sky: clear, sunny Observers: Linda Hale, James Wolstencroft, Donna Dittmann

Common Loon	3	Com. Murre	1
Small loon	2	Pigeon Guillemot	2
Brown Pelican	2	Barn Swallow	6
Brandt's Cormorant	5	Red-breasted Nuthatch (only migrant seen)	1
Surf Scoter	75		
Red-breasted Merganser	2♂	Eur. Starling	20
Red-tailed Hawk	4	Red-winged Blackbird	2
(N. Harrier -1- JW)		House Finch	1
Am. Kestrel	1	Am. Goldfinch	5
Killdeer	1	White-crowned Sparrow	25
Northern Phalarope	3	Loggerhead Shrike	1
West. Gull	25		
Glaucous-winged Gull	1		
California Gull	2		
Heermann's Gull	2		

Sept. 1 Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif

Area: boardwalk of Jewel Lake (looking for a Canada Warbler seen here Aug. 30) Time: 0655-0750 Observers: Linda Hale, James Wolstencroft

Temp: 55-60 Sky: overcast Wind: 0-5 W

Band-tailed Pigeon	5	Cedar Waxwing	2
Mourning Dove	5	Am. Robin	2
Anna's Hummingbird	1	Swainson's Thrush	8
Com. Flicker	2	Hutton's Vireo	1
Black Phoebe	1	Warbling Vireo	2
W. Wood Pewee	2	Wilson's Warbler	3
Willow Flycatcher	1	Red-winged Blackbird	75
West. Flycatcher	4	Purple Finch	1
Scrub Jay	2	West. Tanager	1
Steller's Jay	8	House Finch	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	8	Pine Siskin	1
Bushtit	1	Am. Goldfinch	3
Winter Wren	1 (early)	Lesser Goldfinch	2
Bewick's Wren	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Calif. Thrasher	1	Brown Towhee	3
Wrentit	4	Song Sparrow	3
		Rubber Boa	1

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Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.

Sept. 3

Area: Carmel Rivermouth from Hwy 1 (until 1015); Washington Park in Pacific Grove (to look for Prairie Warbler seen there yesterday); Asilomar to Pt. Pinos to Lover's Pt to Hopkins Marine Station to Coast Guard Pier; also Pt. Pinos Cemetery

Time: 0715 – 1800 Sky: mostly overcast Wind: 0 – 5 W

Temp: 55–70 Observers: Linda Hale, James Wolstenroft, Vickie Dzia

Species:

Arctic Loon	2	Anna's Hummingbird	
Sooty Shearwater	500+	Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird	
Pink-footed Shearwater	7	Belted Kingfisher	
Brown Pelican	40	Hairy Woodpecker	
Brandt's Cormorant	500	Downy Woodpecker	
Pelagic Cormorant	25	Acorn Woodpecker	
Great Blue Heron	3	Black Phoebe	
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Western Flycatcher	1
? Blue-winged Teal (Crespi Pond)	4♀	W. Wood Pewee	
Cinnamon Teal	1♀	Barn Swallow	20
Green-winged Teal	2	Rough-winged Swallow	2 J
Mallard	10	Scrub Jay	45
N. Pintail	2	Steller's Jay	1
N. Harrier	1	Com. Crow	20
Peregrine Falcon	1 ad.	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	30
Calif Quail	15	Bushtit	20
Virginia Rail	3	Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Sora	2	Pygmy Nuthatch	12
Killdeer	2	Brown Creeper	1
Black Oystercatcher	1	Wrentit	3
Semipalmated Plover	1	Bewick's Wren	4
Black-bellied Plover	4	Long-billed Marsh Wren	2
Surfbird	4	Swainson's Thrush	5
Black Turnstone	40	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Ruddy Turnstone	4	Cedar Waxwing	8
Greater Yellowlegs	3	Com. Starling	40
Willet	2	Solitary Vireo	1 (cass
Whimbrel	3	Hutton's Vireo	5
Western Sandpiper	20	Warbling Vireo	2
Least Sandpiper	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	11
Wandering Tattler	6	Yellow Warbler	5
Northern Phalarope	100+	Townsend's Warbler	6
Pomarine Jaeger	5 ads	Hermit Warbler	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	Prairie Warbler	1
Glaucous-winged × Western Gull	1 ad.	Yellow-breasted Chat	1
Western Gull	700	Northern Waterthrush	1
Calif. Gull	30	Wilson's Warbler	7
Ring-billed Gull (Crespi Pond)	2 juv.	Red-winged Blackbird	20
Black-legged Kittiwake	3	Brewer's Blackbird	30
Heermann's Gull	500	Brown-headed Cowbird	20
Elegant Tern	40	House Finch	80
Com. Murre	10	Am. Goldfinch	2
Pigeon Guillemot	6 (1 ad, 5 juv)	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Cassin's Auklet	4	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
Rock Dove	50	Pine Siskin	5
Band-tailed Pigeon	90	Rufous-sided Towhee	5
Mourning Dove	50		

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Monterey area [con't]

Brown Towhee	4	[Am. Kestrel – 1 – JW]
Savannah Sparrow	2	
[Oregon Junco – ♂ – LH, JW]		
Song Sparrow	20	

Sept. 3 [con't]

+ Moss Landing: Elegant Tern 275

Sept. 4 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co. Calif.

Time: 1345 – 1430 Observers: James Wolstencroft, Linda Hale
Wind: 5 W Temp: 75 Sky: clear Sunny: incoming, ~ + 3.5

Species:

Brown Pelican	6	Black Turnstone	1
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Ruddy Turnstone	2
Snowy Egret	4	Am. Avocet	25
Clapper Rail	2	Western Gull	8
Killdeer	1	Calif. Gull	125
Semipalmated Plover	10	Ring-billed Gull	2
Black-bellied Plover	10	Forster's Tern	75
Willet	25	Common Tern (25 im)	30
Marbled Godwit	10	Elegant Tern	200
Short-billed Dowitcher	10	Belted Kingfisher	1
Long-billed Curlew	3	Song Sparrow	4
Whimbrel	1		
Western Sandpiper	500+		
Sanderling	150+		

Sept. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.

Area: Drake's Beach; Nunes Ranch (valley to the west); Mendoza Ranch; roads
Time: 0815 – 1230 Observers: Linda Hale, James Wolstencroft
Wind: 10 – 20 W Sky: low, dense fog — combination of wind and extremely poor visibility due to fog made birding almost impossible except at slightly sheltered Drake's Beach. Temp: 55

Species:

Western Grebe	20	Heermann's Gull	1
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Mourning Dove	1
Com. Loon	1	Belted Kingfisher	1
Brandt's Cormorant	1	Com. Flicker	1
Great Blue Heron	1	Downy Woodpecker (Mendoza)	1
N. Pintail	3	Black Phoebe	1
teal (sp)	2	Barn Swallow	25
Surf Scoter	3	Com. Raven	5
Turkey Vulture	5	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Osprey	1	Com. Starling	50
Am. Kestrel	1	Yellow Warbler	1
Am. Coot	5	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Semipalmated Plover	12	Prairie Warbler	1 im. ♀
Killdeer	5	W. Meadowlark	4
Am. Golden Plover (dominica)	6	blackbird (sp)	200
Black-bellied Plover	1	House Finch	5
Willet	2	Pine Siskin	25
Marbled Godwit	3	Am. Goldfinch	10
Sanderling	5	Savannah Sparrow	20
Northern Phalarope	25	Clay-colored Sparrow	1
West. Gull	20	White-crowned Sparrow	10
Calif Gull	10	Song Sparrow	10
Ring-billed Gull	5		

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Sept. 6 **Point Reyes**

Area: barren pastures along SW side of Drakes Beach Rd. (looking for the Buff-br Sandpiper found yesterday in late PM)
Time: 0715 – 1100 Observers: Linda Hale, James Wolstencroft, Vickie Dziadosz, John Luther, Bud Fry, Alice Mericourt, Clarence Smith
Sky: low, dense fog limiting visibility to ~50 ft until ~0900, then clearing. Temp: 55-65 Wind: 0-5 E

Species:

Turkey Vulture	1	Barn Swallow	2
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Com. Raven	1
Killdeer	20	Horned Lark	75
Black-bellied Plover	6	Eur. Starling	100
Am. Golden Plover	6	Tricolored Blackbird	300
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	1	Brewer's Blackbird	75
Northern Phalarope	10	Brown-headed Cowbird	5
Rock Dove	1	House Finch	3
Pine Siskin	3	Savannah Sparrow	20
Am. Goldfinch	10	Long-tailed Weasel	1

+ Tomales Bay: Osprey 1, Bonaparte's Gull 1

Sept. 10 **Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif.**

Area 1: Jewel Lake – walk all the way around. Time: 0830 – 1100
Observers: Linda Hale (and for a while with Bob O'Brien and Al + Wilma Ghiorso) Wind: 0-5 S Sky: very overcast Temp: 60

Species:

Turkey Vulture	2	Black-throated Gray Warbler	18
~~Calif~~ Virginia Rail	1 (HO)	Wilson's Warbler	6
Sora	1 (HO)	House Sparrow	3
Am. Coot	4	Red-winged Blackbird	50
Band-tailed Pigeon	1	West. Tanager	3
Mourning Dove	3	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Anna's Hummingbird	2	Purple Finch	4
Com. Flicker	1	House Finch	1
Downy Woodpecker	1	Am. Goldfinch	2
Black Phoebe	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	5
Western Flycatcher	15	Brown Towhee	5
Willow Flycatcher	7	Oregon Junco	2
W. Wood Pewee	3	Fox Sparrow	2 (Ea
Scrub Jay	5	Song Sparrow	5
Steller's Jay	15		
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	8		
Plain Titmouse	1		
Bushtit	4		
Wrentit	6		
Winter Wren	8		
Bewick's Wren	3		
Am. Robin	4		
Swainson's Thrush	10		
Cedar Waxwing	6		
Hutton's Vireo	2		
Warbling Vireo	25		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		
Yellow Warbler	3		
Townsend's Warbler	2		

Area 2: Orchard Camp

Northern Waterthrush	1
Brewer's Blackbird	4
Calif. Quail	8

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Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.

Area: from 1 mi. off Pac. Grove W of Pt. Pinos ~ 5 miles and then N to Monterey Submarine Canyon and then E over canyon to near Moss Landing to look for petrel flocks (not present). Time: 0830-1445
Wind: 0-5 W (AM); 5-15 W (PM) Water: fairly calm and flat AM; became rough and choppy PM Sky: overcast AM; clear-sunny PM.
Observers: Joe Morlan, Linda Hale, Ron Branson, Art Edwards, George Bing, James A. Lane, Peter White, Peter Willmann

Species:			
Black-footed Albatross	8	Northern Phalarope	100
Pink-footed Shearwater	200	Pomarine Jaeger	25
Buller's Shearwater	60	Parasitic Jaeger	2
Sooty Shearwater	5000	Western Gull	300
Manx Shearwater	1	Calif. Gull	75
Ashy Petrel	400	Heermann's Gull	10
Black Petrel	10	Sabine's Gull	8
Brown Pelican	15	Com. Murre	25
Brandt's Cormorant	10	Craveri's Murrelet	6
Black Turnstone (→N)	3	Xantus'/Craveri's Murrelet	18
Red Phalarope	2	Cassin's Auklet	300
Common Tern	1	Rhinoceros Auklet	4
Arctic Tern	150		

+ Carmel River mouth: Baird's Sandpiper 2

Sept. 12 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif

Area: walk from Hwy 1 along Carmel River to its mouth; Carmel River Beach; Pt. Pinos - Crespi Pond; Esplanade. Observers: Linda Hale Time: 0720-1400
Temp: 60-70 Sky: overcast Wind: 0-5
Comments: conditions looked ideal for vagrants but the Carmel R. had not a single vagrant and Crespi Pond had only a Chestnut-sided. On this same day there were dozens of vagrants on Pt. Reyes

Species:			
Arctic Loon	4	Wandering Tattler	2
Sooty Shearwater	300	Greater Yellowlegs	3
Brown Pelican	50	Willet	6
Brandt's Cormorant	50	Marbled Godwit	3
Pelagic Cormorant	1	Whimbrel	10
Great Blue Heron	1	West. Sandpiper	15
Green Heron	2	Least Sandpiper	2
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Northern Phalarope	1
Mallard	10	West. Gull	100
Gadwall	1	Calif. Gull	200
N. Pintail	3	Heermann's Gull	500
? Blue-winged Teal	3	Bonaparte's Gull	2
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Arctic Tern	15
Accipiter (sp)	1	Common/Arctic Tern	15
Am. Kestrel	1	Elegant Tern	200
Calif. Quail	5	Com. Murre	300
Virginia Rail	1	Band-tailed Pigeon	10
Sora	1	Rock Dove	5
Am. Coot	4	Mourning Dove	10
Killdeer	3	Vaux's Swift	2
Black-bellied Plover	2	Anna's Hummingbird	10
Am. Golden Plover (fulva)	1	Selasphorus (sp)	1
Ruddy Turnstone	5	Belted Kingfisher	3
Black Turnstone	15	Downy Woodpecker	2

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Monterey area (cont)

Acorn Woodpecker	1	Yellow Warbler	2
Black Phoebe	4	Chestnut-sided Warbler	1
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1	Townsend's Warbler	3
Western Flycatcher	4	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Barn Swallow	8	Wilson's Warbler	4
Scrub Jay	2	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Com. Crow	10	Brewer's Blackbird	25
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	20	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
Bushtit	50	Purple Finch	4
Pygmy Nuthatch	8	House Finch	15
Wrentit	4	Am. Goldfinch	2
Winter Wren	3	Brown Towhee	3
Bewick's Wren	4	Rufous-sided Towhee	4
N. Mockingbird	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Swainson's Thrush	2	Lincoln's Sparrow (first yr)	1
Cedar Waxwing	20	Song Sparrow	20
Eur. Starling	25		
Hutton's Vireo	5		
Warbling Vireo	4		
Orange-crowned Warbler	3		

+ Robinson Cyn: Barn Owl 1, Pygmy Owl 2 (seen-1), Great Horned Owl 1

Sept. 13 Pt. Fermin, Los Angeles Co., Calif

Time: 0940-1140 Observers: Linda Hale, Hank Brodkin
Wind: 0-5 Sky: overcast Temp: 70

Species: Brown Pelican	10	Swainson's Thrush	1
Pelagic Cormorant	1	Eur. Starling	5
Wandering Tattler	1	Warbling Vireo	3
Whimbrel	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	20
Willet	1	Nashville Warbler	1
Black Turnstone	1	Yellow Warbler	5
West. Gull	10	Townsend's Warbler	1
Heermann's Gull	25	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Elegant Tern	1	Blackpoll Warbler	1
Small Sterna	10	Wilson's Warbler	2
Rock Dove	15	Western Tanager	1
Mourning Dove	5	House Finch	5
Anna's Hummingbird	2	House Sparrow	3
West. Flycatcher	4		
Com. Crow	2		
Scrub Jay	3		

Sept. 14 Pt. Fermin

Area: same as yesterday but also the smaller clump of trees ~ 1/2 mi. W. of the lighthouse area. Time: 0815-1020 Observers: Linda Hale
Sky: overcast Wind: 0 Temp: 70

Species: Brown Pelican	75	Rock Dove	60
Am. Kestrel	1	Mourning Dove	10
Black Oystercatcher	2	Amazonas parrot (sp)	2
Spotted Sandpiper	1	Spotted Dove	5
Willet	1	Anna's Hummingbird	6
West. Gull	15	Selasphorus (sp)	1
Heermann's Gull	30	West. Flycatcher	5

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Violet-green/Tree Swallow	2	MacGillivray's Warbler	1
Com. Crow	2	Wilson's Warbler	7
Scrub Jay	4	House Sparrow	5
Am. Robin	1	West. Tanager	1
Swainson's Thrush	1	House Finch	2
Eur. Starling	20	Brown Towhee	3
Warbling Vireo	5		
Orange-crowned Warbler	25		
Yellow Warbler	6		
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1		

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North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.

Area: walked from E. side of Whitewater River dike out to the end of W side dike; Lincoln St. Time: 0630-0900 Observers: Linda Hale

Temp: 65-80 Sky: clear Wind: 0

Species: Eared Grebe	100	West. Sandpiper	1
Western Grebe	20	Am. Avocet	1000
Pied-billed Grebe	15	Black-necked Stilt	30
Blue-footed Booby	8	California Gull	600
Double-crested Cormorant	15	Ring-billed Gull	300
Great Blue Heron	25	Bonaparte's Gull	60
Snowy Egret	700	(Sabine's Gull - 1 - LH)	
Great Egret	75	Caspian Tern	200
Green Heron	2	Common Tern	200
Black-crowned Night Heron	75	Forster's Tern	30
N. Pintail	40	Black Tern	5000
Am. Wigeon	1	Ground Dove	1
N. Shoveler	500	Vaux's Swift	2
Cinnamon Teal	200	Belted Kingfisher	2
Green-winged Teal	10	Verdin	2
Redhead	5	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Canvasback	1	Bewick's Wren	1
Lesser Scaup	6	Cactus Wren	1
Ruddy Duck	100	Crissal Thrasher	1
Red-breasted Merganser	40	N. Mockingbird	3
Am. Kestrel	1	Loggerhead Shrike	2
Gambell's Quail	5	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Am. Coot	50	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Killdeer	1	Yellow-headed Blackbird	10
Willet	3	Red-winged Blackbird	100
Greater Yellowlegs	5	House Finch	3
Spotted Sandpiper	2	Aberth's Towhee	2
Marbled Godwit	2	Song Sparrow	2
Long-billed Dowitcher	10		

South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif.

New River x I-8 at dusk

Area: Wister Unit (almost no birds on ponds - all along shore); mouth of the New River; Unit 1 (high winds made birding at Unit 1 worthless); Salton City

Time: 1000 - 1910 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 until 1400; 20-40 W after 1400 Temp: 90-100 Sky: clear (dust storms in PM)

Species: Eared Grebe	10	Double-crested Cormorant	10
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Great Blue Heron	35
White Pelican	300	Green Heron	5
Brown Pelican	1 imm.	Great Egret	100

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South End Salton Sea (cont)

Snowy Egret	1000
Cattle Egret	8500
Black-crowned Night Heron	25
Least Bittern	2
Wood Stork	90
White-faced Ibis	12
Green-winged Teal	5
Cinnamon Teal	200
N. Shoveler	1800
Ruddy Duck	500
Turkey Vulture	4
Red-tailed Hawk	2
Bald Eagle	1 im.
Northern Harrier	1 ♂
Am. Kestrel	7
Am. Coot	1700
Killdeer	15
Black-bellied Plover	40
Spotted Sandpiper	2
Willet	20
Greater Yellowlegs	25
Lesser Yellowlegs	3
Long-billed Curlew	75
Whimbrel	20
Marbled Godwit	1
Western Sandpiper	75
Least Sandpiper	5
Northern Phalarope	175
Am. Avocet	1000
Black-necked Stilt	100
Yellow-footed Gull	12
Calif. Gull	100
Ring-billed Gull	3000
Caspian Tern	500
Forster's Tern	100
Gull-billed Tern	40
Black Tern	5000
Black Skimmer	35
Mourning Dove	2
Belted Kingfisher	2
Vaux's Swift	2
Burrowing Owl	2
Say's Phoebe	1
Barn Swallow	2
Verdin	2
Com. Raven	2
Long-billed Marsh Wren	7
Cactus Wren	1
Loggerhead Shrike	3
Com. Yellowthroat	3
House Sparrow	25
Yellow-headed Blackbird	10,000
Red-winged Blackbird	10
Abert's Towhee	2
Song Sparrow	2

Sept. 16

Point Loma, San Diego Co., Calif

Area: Cabrillo Nat. Mon + Rosecrans Cemetery Time: 0630-1230
Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Phil Unitt, Elizabeth Copper, James Wolstenc
Sky: overcast (partly) but clearing early Wind: 5-15 W Temp: 60-75

Species: West. Grebe	1
loon (sp)	2
Brown Pelican	25
Double-crested Cormorant	25
Northern Harrier	1
Am. Kestrel	2
Killdeer	2
Willet	1
Northern Phalarope	50
Western Gull	100
Heermann's Gull	75
Royal Tern	25
Pomarine Jaeger	1 ad.
Parasitic Jaeger	1
Mourning Dove	10
Vaux's Swift	8
Anna's Hummingbird	5
Hammond's Flycatcher	1
Western Flycatcher	6
Barn Swallow	5
Com. Raven	1
Scrub Jay	5
Bushtit	20
House Wren	2
Bewick's Wren	5
Calif. Thrasher	5
N. Mockingbird	10
Swainson's Thrush	2
Phainopepla	5 ♂
Eur. Starling	15
Warbling Vireo	1

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Orange-crowned Warbler	1	West. Tanager	6
Yellow Warbler	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	4
Townsend's Warbler	5	House Finch	20
Hermit Warbler	2	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	5
Wilson's Warbler	1	Brown Towhee	5
House Sparrow	5	Lark Sparrow	1
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	Chipping Sparrow	5

Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co. Calif.

Area: Ditch; "The Clump" Time: 1500-1745 Observers: Linda Hale, Elizabeth Copper, James Wolstencroft Wind: 5-10 W Sky: clear

Species: Double-crested Cormorant	1	Bewick's Wren	1
Cattle Egret	20	N. Mockingbird	2
Turkey Vulture	1	Eur. Starling	1000
(White-tailed Kite - 1 - JW)		Warbling Vireo	1
Northern Harrier	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Golden Eagle	2	W. Meadowlark	3
Am. Kestrel	3	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Killdeer	5	House Finch	400
Greater Yellowlegs	1	Brown Towhee	2
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	Savannah Sparrow	20
Short-billed Dowitcher	8	Sage Sparrow	3
Least Sandpiper	2	Song Sparrow	1
Mourning Dove	10	Long-billed Marsh Wren	2
Ground Dove	1		
Vaux's Swift	100		
Costa's Hummingbird	1		
Black Phoebe	1		
Western Flycatcher	1		
Bank Swallow	1		
Barn Swallow	50		
Rough-winged Swallow	10		
Cliff Swallow	15		
Scrub Jay	2		

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley

Area: Otay Mesa; Ditch; Wendover Ranch; "The Clump"; mouth of Tijuana River - walk from Imperial Beach (pm) Time: 0900-1215; 1730-1845
Observers: Linda Hale, Guy McCaskie, Elizabeth Copper, James Wolstencroft
Wind: 5-10 W Sky: clear Temp: 60-80

Species: Brown Pelican	20	Long-billed Curlew	3
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Willet	25
Great Blue Heron	1	Marbled Godwit	20
Cattle Egret	3	Least Sandpiper	5
Green-winged Teal	1	Sanderling	150
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Parasitic Jaeger	1
Golden Eagle	1	West. Gull	50
Am Kestrel	3	Ring-billed Gull	10
Snowy Plover	10	Heermann's Gull	50
Killdeer	2	Royal Tern	1
Black-bellied Plover	10	Elegant Tern	400
Ruddy Turnstone	4	Common Tern	8

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Rock Dove	10	Orange-crowned Warbler	7
Mourning Dove	5	Nashville Warbler	1
Vaux's Swift	100	Yellow Warbler	4
Black-chinned Hummingbird	2	Townsend's Warbler	2
Anna's Hummingbird	2	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Selasphorus (sp)	1	MacGillivray's Warbler	2
Ash-throated Flycatcher (wave)	6	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Black Phoebe	1	Wilson's Warbler	2
Western Flycatcher	4	American Redstart	1
W. Wood Pewee	2	W. Meadowlark	2
Horned Lark	2	Red-winged Blackbird	15
Tree Swallow	1	Bullock's Oriole	9
(Bank Swallow - 1 - GMcC)		(West. Tanager - 1 - GMcC)	
Rough-winged Swallow	10	Summer Tanager	1 ♂
Barn Swallow	200	Black-headed Grosbeak	4
Cliff Swallow	20	Lazuli Bunting	1
Scrub Jay	4	House Finch	20
Com. Raven	3	Am. Goldfinch	4
Bushtit	5	Lesser Goldfinch	1
House Wren	1	Green-tailed Towhee	1
Bewick's Wren	2	Brown Towhee	5
N. Mockingbird	4	Savannah Sparrow	10
Calif. Thrasher	2	Song Sparrow	1
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	2		
Loggerhead Shrike	1		
Eur. Starling	10		

Sept. 18 San Diego boat trip, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area 1: from ~ 20 mi. W of San Clemente Is. to Cortez Banks (98 miles offshore) and then E to ~3 mi. W. of San Clemente Is.

Time: 0620–1235 Observers: Guy McCaskie, Linda Hale, Bill Everett, Jim Kennedy, Arnold Small, Herb + Olga Clarke, Mike Wehler, Debbie Robinson, Ed Navojosky, Bob Van Bergen, Paul Sykes, Joe + Helen Taylor, Richard A. Ryan, Larry Balch, Kim Eckert, Roger Foxall, Harold Axtell, Jerry Langham, et al.

Wind: 5-10W Water: choppy, rough Sky: mostly clear, sunny

Species: Brown Pelican	1	Northern Phalarope	3
Pink-footed Shearwater	13	Arctic Tern	42
Sooty Shearwater	5	Craveri's Murrelet	3
Leach's Petrel (white-rump)	1	(Long-tailed Jaeger - 1 - ad. w/o tail - G	
Black Storm Petrel	10		
Pomarine Jaeger	11 (3 ad. tails)		
~~Parasitic~~ West. Gull	23		

Area 2: ~3 mi. W. of San Clemente E past San Clemente Is. (not including birds <1 mi. from shore) and back to San Diego (still ~ 5 mi. from shore at dark) Time: 1235 – dark

Wind: 5-10W Water: choppy, rough Sky: clear, sunny

Species: Brown Pelican	22	Black Storm Petrel	21
Red-billed Tropicbird	3	Least Storm Petrel	4
Pink-footed Shearwater	35	Northern Phalarope	4
Sooty Shearwater	6	Pomarine Jaeger	11 (4 ad. ta
Manx Shearwater	7	Parasitic Jaeger	3 (1 ad. ta
Leach's Storm-Petrel (dark-rump)	4	West. Gull	35

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	Heermann's Gull	1	Craveri's Murrelet	4
Sept. 18	Arctic Tern	32	cetaceans - 0	

[con't] Comments: bird density everywhere scarce, including Cortez Banks, where we hardly spent any time.

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley San Diego Co. Calif

Area: Ditch, Clump, Hendover Ranch (brief), Myer's Ranch (very brief)
Time: 0700 - 1115 Observers: Linda Hale, Roger Foxall (early) (Ottawa)
Wind: 0-5 W Temp: 65-75 Sky: clear, sunny

Species:	Double-crested Cormorant	1	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	4
	Snowy Egret	1	Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	1
	Cattle Egret	6	Loggerhead Shrike	1
	Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Eur. Starling	200
	? Blue-winged Teal	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	4
	Red-tailed Hawk	1	Yellow Warbler	1
	Golden Eagle	1	Townsend's Warbler	5
	Northern Harrier	3 (1♂)	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
	Am. Kestrel	2	[Blackpoll Warbler - 1 - RF]	
	Calif. Quail	25	Com. Yellowthroat	2
	Sora	1	Wilson's Warbler	1
	Am. Coot	1	Red-winged Blackbird	10
	Killdeer	2	Tricolored Blackbird	100
	Long-billed Curlew	10	Brown-headed Cowbird	20
	Willet	10	Bobolink	1
	Greater Yellowlegs	2	W. Meadowlark	5
	Solitary Sandpiper	1	Summer Tanager	1♂
	Marbled Godwit	10	House Finch	20
	Short-billed Dowitcher	10	Am. Goldfinch	4
	Long-billed Dowitcher	1	Brown Towhee	4
	Pectoral Sandpiper	1	Savannah Sparrow (wave)	150
	Least Sandpiper	2	Sage Sparrow	2
	Mourning Dove	20	White-crowned Sparrow (first arr.)	1
	Ground Dove	1	Song Sparrow	5
	Greater Roadrunner	1	White-collared Seedeater	1♂
	Vaux's Swift	5	(assumed to be an escape	
	Anna's Hummingbird	4	although it does reach Sinaloa	
	Costa's Hummingbird	2	and Sporophilas are notorious	
	Black-chinned Hummingbird	4	wanderers) - rusty throat + breast	
	Selasphorus (sp)	2	of W. Mexico birds.	
	Belted Kingfisher	1		
	Cassin's Kingbird	3		
	Black Phoebe	4		
	West. Flycatcher	3		
	Rough-winged Swallow	1		
	Barn Swallow	40		
	Scrub Jay	5		
	Com. Raven	1		
	Bushtit	2		
	Wrentit	3		
	House Wren	3		
	Long-billed Marsh Wren	4		
	Bewick's Wren	2		
	N. Mockingbird	4		
	Calif. Thrasher	7		

Comments: yesterday while we we were on the boat 2 Blackpolls, 1 Ovenbird, 1 N. Waterthrush, and 1 Dickcissel were found here. They arrived under clear skies and a west wind

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Sept. 24 **Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif.**

Area: putting green around Pro Shop and Eucalyptus grove at W entrance at pump house Time: 0745-0915 Observers: Linda Hale
Wind: 0-10 W Sky: low overcast, misty Temp: 55

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	25
Great Blue Heron	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	1
Mallard	2
Ruddy Duck	5
Am. Coot	40
West. Gull	10
Calif. Gull	5
Ring-billed Gull	10
Heermann's Gull	5
Bonaparte's Gull	4
Caspian Tern	3
Mourning Dove	2
Anna's Hummingbird	1
Downy Woodpecker	1
Black Phoebe	2
West. Flycatcher sp	2
Scrub Jay	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2
Bushtit	1
Long-billed Marsh Wren	5
Am. Robin	1
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Yellow Warbler	6
Audubon's Warbler (first arr.)	1
Townsend's Warbler	1
Com. Yellowthroat	4
Eur. Starling	5
House Sparrow	20
Red-winged Blackbird	2
Brewer's Blackbird	150
Purple Finch	4
House Finch	6
Lesser Goldfinch	2
Dark-eyed Junco	6
White-crowned Sparrow	10
Fox Sparrow	2
Song Sparrow	5

Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif.

Area: Battery Wallace; Rodeo Lagoon + GGNRA Hqts. Time: 0945 – 1120
Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0-5 W Sky: overcast Temp: 60-65

Species:

Brown Pelican	25
Brandt's Cormorant	1
Great Blue Heron	1
Snowy Egret	1
Great Egret	1
Mallard	25
Am. Wigeon	50
Canvasback	1
Ruddy Duck	10
Turkey Vulture	1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1
Cooper's Hawk	1
Northern Harrier	1
Am. Kestrel	2
Calif. Quail	2
Am. Coot	30
Whimbrel	1
West. Gull	25
Mourning Dove	2
Anna's Hummingbird	2
Belted Kingfisher	1
Com. Flicker	2
Black Phoebe	1
Scrub Jay	2
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2
Bewick's Wren	2
Winter Wren	2
Wrentit	2
Long-billed Marsh Wren	2
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Yellow Warbler	8
Blackpoll Warbler	1
Wilson's Warbler	3
House Finch	5
Pine Siskin	1
Am. Goldfinch	1
Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Brown Towhee	1
White-crowned Sparrow	10
Song Sparrow	2

Accipiter (sp) – 1 – captured small passerine – probably a Yellow Warbler

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Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif

Area: outer Point Reyes — roads from ~~Roger's Ranch~~ Schooner Bay to point; Lighthouse; Fish Docks; Nunes Ranch + adjacent draw; Mendoza Ranch; Drake's Beach; fields adjacent to Drake's Beach Rd — walking from Drake's Beach almost to Sir Francis Drake; Abandoned Ranch Time: 0645 – 1430

Observers: Linda Hale, Laurence C. Binford, Mike + John Parmeter (+ at least 30 car loads of birders scattered around the point) Wind: 0-5 SSW

Sky: clear, sunny – some high clouds PM Temp: 55 – 75

Species			
Common Loon	15	Sayis Phoebe	3
Western Grebe	30	Willow Flycatcher	1
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Horned Lark	60
[Brown Pelican – 10 – LH]		Barn Swallow	3
Brandt's Cormorant	20	Com. Raven	20
N. Pintail	3	Bushtit (Abandoned Ranch)	4
Am. Wigeon	5	Red-breasted Nuthatch	5
Harlequin Duck	1	Winter Wren	8
Surf Scoter	300	Bewick's Wren	2
Ruddy Duck	2	Hermit Thrush (First arr.)	1
Turkey Vulture	25	Varied Thrush " "	1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	4	Swainson's Thrush	3
Cooper's Hawk	4	[West. Bluebird – 1 – MP]	
Red-tailed Hawk	7	Golden-crowned Kinglet (first arr.)	1
Northern Harrier	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4
Am. Kestrel	7	Water Pipit (first arr)	1
Am. Coot	5	Cedar Waxwing	1
Killdeer	25	Loggerhead Shrike	1
Black-bellied Plover	1	Eur. Starling	700
Willet	2	Yellow Warbler	8
Least Sandpiper	4	Audubon's Warbler	5
Sanderling	125	Blackpoll Warbler	3
Northern Phalarope	1	Ovenbird	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	2	American Redstart	1 im. ♂
Western Gull	75	House Sparrow	50
Ring-billed Gull	3	W. Meadowlark	1
Bonaparte's Gull	1	Red-winged Blackbird	50
Common Murre	700+	Tricolored Blackbird	1500
Rock Dove	8	Brewer's Blackbird	200
Great Horned Owl	2	Western Tanager	1
[Burrowing Owl – 1 – LCB, MP]		House Finch	25
Anna's Hummingbird	2	Pine Siskin	30
Belted Kingfisher	2	Am. Goldfinch	40
Common Flicker	6	Lesser Goldfinch	5
Black Phoebe	8	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
		Savannah Sparrow	8
		White-crowned Sparrow	50
		Golden-crowned Sparrow (first arr.)	20
		Fox Sparrow	4
		Lincoln's Sparrow	2
		Song Sparrow	4

Sept. 28 Point Reyes

Area: outer Pt. Reyes from Schooner Bay west — Drake's Beach; Mendoza Ranch; Fish Docks; Nunes Ranch; Lighthouse Observers: Linda Hale, Joe Morlan

Time: 0810 – 1250 Sky: low dense fog at Nunes – Fish Docks – Lighthouse making visibility restricted to a few feet; at other spots very low overcast) Wind: 5-15 S (made birding the cypresses very difficult) → misty rain at Fish Docks, Nunes, and second visit to Drake's Beach; ocean observation impossible. Temp: 65 (warm) (A front was present, coming from N. Pacific.

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Species:

Brown Pelican	5
Brandt's Cormorant	1
Great Blue Heron	1
N. Pintail	3
Turkey Vulture	2
Red-tailed Hawk	2
Red-shouldered Hawk	1
Ferruginous Hawk	1
Am. Kestrel	1
Killdeer	5
Black-bellied Plover	1
Willet	1
Western Sandpiper	20
Least Sandpiper	25
Sanderling	15
Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Western Gull	25
Ring-billed Gull	25
Rock Dove	4
Anna's Hummingbird	1
Belted Kingfisher	1
Black Phoebe	1
Com. Raven	2
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Winter Wren	2
Loggerhead Shrike	1
Eur. Starling	500
Philadelphia Vireo	1
Audubon's Warbler	1
Yellow Warbler	9
Blackpoll Warbler	1
Palm Warbler	1
[Ovenbird - 1 - JM - Mendoza]	
House Sparrow	25
Tricolored Blackbird	500
Red-winged Blackbird	25
Brewer's Blackbird	50
Pine Siskin	2
White-crowned Sparrow	40
Golden-crowned Sparrow	5
Fox Sparrow	1
Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Song Sparrow	5

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co. Calif.

Area: 1+ mile off Pt. Pinos W-NW 3-4 miles and then N to Monterey Canyon, then E towards Moss Landing to ~10 mi. off Moss Landing (where we spent 2+ hours with petrels) and then return to 1+ mile off Monterey harbor Time: 0840 - 1540

Water: AM: smooth water but very heavy swells PM: swells diminishing but choppy, rough due to wind Wind AM: 0-5 PM: 5-10 NW

Sky: clear, sunny Observers: Linda Hale, Guy McCaskie, Jon Dunn, Rich Stallcup, Laurie Binford, Elizabeth Copper, James Wolstencroft, Paul Lehman, Louis Bevier, Steve Cardiff, Doug and Gregg Morton, Andy Sanders, Sid Englund, Don Roberson, Donna Dittman, Susanne Luther, Bruce Broadbooks, Arnold Small, Alan Craig

Species:

Common Loon	3
Black-footed Albatross	1
Pink-footed Shearwater	30
Pale-footed Shearwater	1
New Zealand Shearwater	6
Sooty Shearwater (scarce)	20
Ashy Storm Petrel	3000
Galapagos Storm Petrel	1
Black Storm Petrel	2000
Wilson's Storm Petrel	2
Brown Pelican	20
Brandt's Cormorant	4
Pelagic Cormorant	1
White-winged Scoter	2→5
Black-bellied Plover	15
Northern Phalarope	3
Pomarine Jaeger	40
Parasitic Jaeger	7
South Polar Skua	4
Western Gull	200
Calif. Gull	50
Heermann's Gull	10
Sabine's Gull	3 (1 ad
Arctic Tern	10
Elegant Tern (3-4 mi. off)	1
Com. Murre	20
Cassin's Auklet	25
Rhinoceros Auklet	3
Tufted Puffin	3
Vaux's Swift	2

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Monterey area Monterey Co, Calif

Area: walk from Hwy 1 to mouth of Carmel River in the dried river bed
Time: 1630-1830 Wind: 2-5 S Sky: clear Temp: 70
Observers: Linda Hale, Garth Alton, Jean Richmond, Peter Smith (England)

Species:

Great Blue Heron	1	Am. Robin	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Cedar Waxwing	100
Mallard	4	Eur. Starling	15
Teal (sp)	2	Warbling Vireo	2
N. Pintail	4	Hutton's Vireo	1
Calif. Quail	1	Yellow Warbler	1
Am. Coot	1	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Killdeer	12	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Greater Yellowlegs	2	House Finch	10
Pectoral Sandpiper	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	3
Western Sandpiper	1	Brown Towhee	2
Western Gull	5	Savannah Sparrow	1
Mourning Dove	25	Golden-crowned Sparrow	15
White-winged Dove	1	White-crowned Sparrow	10
Annas Hummingbird	2	Fox Sparrow	2
Nuttall's Woodpecker	2	Song Sparrow	10
Black Phoebe	2	Water Pipit	1
Western Flycatcher	1		
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	5		
Bushtit	6		
Wrentit	3		
Winter Wren	4		
Bewick's Wren	2		

Oct. 2

Point Diablo, Marin Co. Calif.

Area: all birds seen from Bunker Hill lookout, Golden Gate Nat Rec. Area.
Time: 0920-1320 Observers: Linda Hale, Nick Story, Hans Johannson, John Westlake (briefly with Steve Cardiff, Doug and Gregg Morton, Sid England).
Wind: 5-10 E until ~1030; calm after 1030 Sky: clear, some smog Temp: 60-75

Species:

White Pelican	6	Bewick's Wren	2
Turkey Vulture	14	Wrentit	3
White-tailed Kite	2	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	2
Sharp-shinned Hawk	32 (1ad, 22im, 9unk)	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
Cooper's Hawk	68 (49im, 19 unk)	Water Pipit	6
Red-tailed Hawk	35 (11ad, 16im, 8u)	Cedar Waxwing	125
Red-shouldered Hawk	9	Eur. Starling	3
Broad-winged Hawk	1	Yellow-rumped Warbler	8
Northern Harrier	3 (2im, 1ø)	Evening Grosbeak	1
Western Gull	5	Purple Finch	16
Band-tailed Pigeon	138	House Finch	14
Vaux's Swift	375	Pine Siskin	41
Common Flicker	2	Lesser Goldfinch	47
Lewis' Woodpecker	69	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
Black Phoebe	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Violet-green Swallow	360	Brown Towhee	1
Scrub Jay	1	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Com. Raven	17	Song Sparrow	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	5	Accipiter (sp)	26
Winter Wren	1	total raptors	190

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Oct. 5 **Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif**

Area: outer Pt. Reyes from Schooner Bay west: Drakes Beach; Fish Docks; Lighthouse; Nunes Ranch; Mendoza Ranch; Hall Ranch fields – s. of house
Time: 1140–1800 Wind: 5-15 NW Sky: PC – some sun Temp: 70-55
Observers: Linda Hale (briefly with Bruce Sorrie)

Species		Species	
Common Loon	5	Annals Hummingbird	2
Arctic Loon	3	Com. Flicker	1
Horned Grebe (First arr.)	1	Red-breasted Sapsucker	1
Western Grebe	200	Black Phoebe	3
Eared Grebe	1	Western Wood Pewee	1
Brandt's Cormorant	5	Horned Lark	75
Pelagic Cormorant	2	Violet-green Swallow	5
N. Pintail	6	Com. Raven	5
Am. Wigeon	35	Red-breasted Nuthatch	3
Gadwall	10	Winter Wren	5
N. Shoveler	1	Bewick's Wren	2
Green-winged Teal	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
White-winged Scoter	2	Hermit Thrush	1
Surf Scoter	50	Western Bluebird	5
Black Scoter	2	Golden-crowned Kinglet	10
Ruddy Duck	5	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	5
Turkey Vulture	15	Water Pipit	150
Cooper's Hawk	1	Loggerhead Shrike	1
Red-tailed Hawk	12	Eur. Starling	500
Ferruginous Hawk	4	Warbling Vireo	2
Northern Harrier	1	Nashville Warbler	1
Am. Kestrel	15	Yellow Warbler	3
Am. Coot	5	Yellow-rumped Warbler	10
Semipalmated Plover	2	Black-throated Gray Warbler	2
Killdeer	15	Townsend's Warbler	5
Black-bellied Plover	10	Hermit Warbler	1
Willet	1	Chestnut-sided Warbler	1
Least Sandpiper	10	Palm Warbler	3
Western Sandpiper	2	Ovenbird	1
Sanderling	10	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	House Sparrow	25
Western Gull	25	W. Meadowlark	10
Calif. Gull	5	Tricolored Blackbird	1000
Ring-billed Gull	15	Brewer's Blackbird	100
Heermann's Gull	4	House Finch	5
Common Tern	4	Pine Siskin	4
American Goldfinch	15	Golden-crowned Sparrow	30
Savannah Sparrow	10	White-throated Sparrow	1
Dark-eyed Junco	6	Fox Sparrow	1
White-crowned Sparrow	20	Lincoln's Sparrow	2
Lapland Longspur	12	Song Sparrow	6

1 captured small passerine in air above Fish Docks — probably a warbler

Lake Merced, San Francisco Co. Calif.

Area: Monterey Cypress + Pines around boathouse + eucalyptus at pumphouse W. of boathouse + lakes Time: 0715-1000 Observers: Linda Hale, Joe Morlan
Wind: 0-2 W Sky: Overcast Temp: 55

Species		Species	
loon (sp)	10 overhead → S	Eared Grebe	10

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Pied-billed Grebe	10	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
Western Grebe	2	Golden-crowned Kinglet	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	17	Warbling Vireo	2
Mallard	10	Yellow Warbler	5
Ruddy Duck	25	Yellow-rumped Warbler	8
Am. Coot	25	Blackpoll Warbler	3
gull (sp)	150	Com. Yellowthroat	3
Bonaparte's Gull	10	House Sparrow	20
Mourning Dove	25	Red-winged Blackbird	5
Anna's Hummingbird	1	Brewer's Blackbird	20
Belted Kingfisher	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
Com. Flicker	1	House Finch	10
Downy Woodpecker	2	Pine Siskin	2
Red-breasted Sapsucker	1	Brown Towhee	2
Black Phoebe	2	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Violet-green Swallow	1	Golden-crowned Sparrow	2
Barn Swallow	9	Fox Sparrow	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	5	Song Sparrow	5
Pygmy Nuthatch	12		
Brown Creeper	2		

Oct. 9 Point Reyes

Area: outer Pt. Reyes from Schooner Bay west: Fish Docks including willows; Nunes Ranch including area around pond at T junction in road 200 yds from Nunes; Mendoza Ranch; Drakes Beach; Spaletta Ranch; Hall Ranch fields ~~fields~~ along Drakes Beach road; Abandoned Ranch. Time: 0740-1535

Observers: Linda Hale, Laurence C. Binford, John Parmeter Wind: 2-15 NW

Sky: low overcast, some fog Temp: 50-60

Species:

Common Loon	15	Semipalmated Plover	1
Arctic Loon	6	Killdeer	60
Red-throated Loon	8	Black-bellied Plover	1
Horned Grebe	15	Willet	5
Eared Grebe	2	Least Sandpiper	35
Western Grebe	50	Long-billed Dowitcher	20
Brown Pelican	5	Western Sandpiper	10
Double-crested Cormorant	2	Sanderling	1
Brandt's Cormorant	30	Marbled Godwit	3
Pelagic Cormorant	3	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Gadwall	5	Western Gull	30
N. Pintail	3	Calif. Gull	2
Green-winged Teal	1	Ring-billed Gull	35
Am. Wigeon	40	Mew Gull (first arr.)	1-1st yr.
Greater Scaup	2	Heermann's Gull	15
White-winged Scoter	5	Com. Murre	1
Surf Scoter	100	Great Horned Owl	1
Black Scoter	2	Anna's Hummingbird	2
Ruddy Duck	7	Rufous / ? Allen's Hummingbird	1
Turkey Vulture	10	Belted Kingfisher	1
Red-tailed Hawk	12	Com. Flicker	6
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Acorn Woodpecker	1
Ferruginous Hawk	3	Downy Woodpecker	1
Northern Harrier	1	Tropical Kingbird	1
Am. Kestrel	10	Black Phoebe	6
Am. Coot	3	Say's Phoebe	2

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Horned Lark	75	Western Meadowlark	9
Scrub Jay (nr. Fish Docks)	2	Red-winged Blackbird	50
Com. Raven	7	Tricolored Blackbird	2500
Red-breasted Nuthatch	3	Brewer's Blackbird	600
Brown Creeper	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	25
Winter Wren	8	House Finch	15
Bewick's Wren	2	Pine Siskin	7
Long-billed Marsh Wren	2	Am. Goldfinch	4
Rock Wren	1	Savannah Sparrow	12
Varied Thrush	4	Lark Sparrow	1
[Hermit Thrush - 1 - LH, LCB]		Oregon Junco	6
[Swainson's Thrush - 2 - LH, LCB]		Clay-colored Sparrow	2
West. Bluebird	1	White-crowned Sparrow	120
Golden-crowned Kinglet	6	Golden-crown Sparrow	100
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6	White-throated Sparrow	1
Water Pipit	13	Fox Sparrow	4
Loggerhead Shrike	3	Song Sparrow	13
Eur. Starling	500	Lapland Longspur	16+
Yellow-rumped Warbler	19		
Black-throated Gray Warbler	2		
Townsend's Warbler	3		
Hermit Warbler	2		
Palm Warbler	8		
House Sparrow	100		

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip (>1 mi offshore)

Area: went directly to area where Streaked Shearwater (Puffinus leuromelas) had been seen on Oct. 9 — 10-15 mi. W. of Moss Landing over Monterey Canyon, and from there W. to mouth of Monterey Bay; then back over Monterey Canyon to petrel rafts off Moss Landing. Time: 0820-1645

Observers: Linda Hale, Dick Erickson, Summer Wilson; Guy McCaskie, Jon Dunn, Phil Unitt, Elizabeth Copper, Louis Bevier, Dale Delaney, Bruce Broadbooks, Larry Sansone, Hank Brodkin, Gerald Maisel, Terry Clark, Richard Webster, Doug Morton, Dennis Parker, Art Edwards, George Bing, Jean Richmond, Bob Richmond, Bud Fry, Keiko Yamane, Doug Gomke, Ron LeValley, Bruce Sorrie, Phil Henderson, Lee Jones, Joe Morlan, Jon Winter, Ruth Lohr, Mike San Miguel, Jerry Johnson, Stuart Johnston, Gil West, Pete Rosemarin, Mira Ivey, Nancy Spear, Jolaine Munch, Susan Peest

Wind: 0-2 W (AM); 10-20 NW (PM) Water: no swell, light chop AM; choppy, white caps (PM) Temp: 55-65 Sky: mostly sunny

Species: Arctic Loon	1	South Polar Skua	6
Eared Grebe	2	Pomarine Jaeger	12
Brown Pelican	20	Western Gull	500
Brandt's Cormorant	8	Calif. Gull	75
Green-winged Teal	1	Heermann's Gull	2
Pink-footed Shearwater	40	Sabine's Gull	4
New Zealand Shearwater	20	Arctic Tern	4
Sooty Shearwater	25	tern (sp)	3
Manx Shearwater	1	Common Murre	75
Black Storm Petrel	4000	Rhinoceros Auklet	8
Ashy Storm Petrel	2000	Cassin's Auklet	20
Wilson's Storm Petrel	3+	(Xantus Murrelet - 2-)	
(Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel - 1 - GMC, RW, JM)			
Northern Phalarope	8		

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Oct. 15 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif

Area: Drake's Beach; Abandoned Ranch; Fish Docks; small pond at Fish Docks – Lighthouse Intersection; Mendoza Ranch; Hall Ranch fields; roads from Schooner Bay outwards. Time: 1015–1530 [early AM – car problems] Observers: Linda Hale, Richard Webster, Terry Clark Wind: 10-20 W Sky: low, dense fog inhibiting visibility at Mendoza, small pond; almost a problem elsewhere Temp: 55-60

Species			
Common Loon	5	Com. Raven	8
Red-throated Loon	5	Red-breasted Nuthatch	2
Horned Grebe	2	Winter Wren	6
Eared Grebe	1	Bewick's Wren	1
Western Grebe	30	Western Bluebird	3
Double-crested Cormorant	3	Golden-crowned Kinglet	8
Brandt's Cormorant	5	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
Pelagic Cormorant	3	Water Pipit	5
Gadwall	5	Cedar Waxwing	1
Am. Wigeon	50	Loggerhead Shrike	2
White-winged Scoter	3	Eur. Starling	300
Surf Scoter	50	Myrtle Warbler	1
Black Scoter	4	Audubon's Warbler	5
Turkey Vulture	3	Palm Warbler	2
Red-tailed Hawk	5	House Sparrow	10
Northern Harrier	2	West. Meadowlark	10
Am. Kestrel	3	Tricolored Blackbird	400
Semipalmated Plover	3	Brewer's Blackbird	100
Killdeer	10	House Finch	5
Black-bellied Plover	5	Pine Siskin	8
Com. Snipe	1	Am. Goldfinch	3
Willet	2	Savannah Sparrow	10
Least Sandpiper	40	Dark-eyed Junco	1
Dunlin	10	White-crowned Sparrow	30
Western Sandpiper	10	Golden-crowned Sparrow	75
Sanderling	3	Fox Sparrow	5
Marbled Godwit	3	Song Sparrow	4
Glaucous-winged Gull	3	Lapland Longspur	8
West. Gull	50		
Calif. Gull	1		
Ring-billed Gull	25		
Great Horned Owl	2		
Belted Kingfisher	1		
Common Flicker	2		
Black Phoebe	3		
Horned Lark	50		

Forestville, Sonoma Co. Calif

Area: deciduous riparian in backyard of Les and Melanie Perry, 1.3 mi. N. of Intersection of Hwy 116 x Guerneville Rd (second driveway N. of Templeton Rd). Time: 1700–1900 (dark). Observers: same

Wind: 0 Temp: 60 Sky: p.c.

Species			
Acorn Woodpecker	3	Winter Wren	3
Scrub Jay	2	Bewick's Wren	1
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2	N. Mockingbird	3
Bushtit	10	Am. Robin	1

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Hermit Thrush	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	Brown Towhee	3
Cedar Waxwing	10	Oregon Junco	2
Hooded Warbler	1	Golden-crowned Sparrow	5
American Redstart	1	Fox Sparrow	5
Pine Siskin	1	Song Sparrow	2

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip

Area: from 1 mi. off Monterey SW. of Pt. Pinos 3-4 mi. N to Monterey Cyn and E. over canyon to 3-4 mi. off Moss Landing and S. to 1 mi. off harbor. Time: 0840-1500

Water: very rough, choppy except for 1½ hrs in petrel raft off Moss Landing Wind: 10-15 NW Observers: Linda Hale, Richard Webster, Terry Clark, Dick Erickson, Laurence C. Binford, Mike and John Parmeter, Arnold Small, Herb and Olga Clark, Garth Alton, Donna Dittmann, Bruce Elliott, Barry Sauppee, Susanne Luther, Debbie Robinson, Bill Reese, Ron Branson

Species: Com. Loon	2	South Polar Skua	2
Arctic Loon	3	West. Gull	200
Eared Grebe	1	Calif Gull	20
Black-footed Albatross	4	Heermann's Gull	5
Northern Fulmar	3	Sabine's Gull	1
Pink-footed Shearwater	35	Com. Murre	90
New Zealand Shearwater	12	Cassin's Auklet	35
Sooty Shearwater	8	Rhinoceros Auklet	45
Ashy Storm Petrel	2000	Tufted Puffin	1
Black Storm Petrel	6000		
Brown Pelican	20		
Brandt's Cormorant	10		
Surf Scoter	35		
Red Phalarope	9		
Pomarine Jaeger	8 (no tailed ads.)		

Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif

Area: pond on E side of Castroville Blvd <1 mi. N. of Hwy 156. The pond was fenced and diked but was nowhere near being full – only a little water was present and this was heavily overgrown around its edges with grasses, weeds and a few cattails. Time: 0710-0725; 1630-1715

Observers: Dick Erickson, Linda Hale, Terry Clark, Richard Webster + 40 ot

Species: White-fronted Goose	1	W. Meadowlark	5
White-tailed Kite	1	Savannah Sparrow	5
Am. Coot	3	Water Pipit	2
Killdeer	8		
Long-billed Curlew	50		
Lesser Yellowlegs	2		
Long-billed Dowitcher	100		
Common Snipe	1		
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	1		
Dunlin	1		
Western Sandpiper	10		
Am. Avocet	8		
Northern Phalarope	8		
Mourning Dove	10		

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Oct. 21 **Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.**

Area: golf course, airport ponds, Inn Time: 0700 – 1055
Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Guy McCaskie, Elizabeth Copper, Louis Bevier
Wind: 0 until 0900; 5-10 later Sky: sunny Temp: 65-80

Species:

Eared Grebe	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Western Grebe	1	Water Pipit	75
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Cedar Waxwing	2
Great Blue Heron	1	Eur. Starling	50
Green Heron	1	Audubon's Warbler	12
Am. Bittern	1	(Com. Yellowthroat - 2 - JD)	
Canada Goose	1	House Sparrow	100
N. Pintail	10	West. Meadowlark	10
Green-winged Teal	50	Yellow-headed Blackbird	1
Blue-winged Teal	1	Red-winged Blackbird	75
Cinnamon Teal	2	Brewer's Blackbird	250
Am. Wigeon	8	Great-tailed Grackle	1
Wood Duck	1	Brown-headed Cowbird	25
Redhead	1	Western Tanager	1
Ring-necked Duck	1	Cassin's Finch	1
Ruddy Duck	2	House Finch	5
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Pine Siskin	2
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Am. Coot	30	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
Killdeer	20	Evening Grosbeak	1
Mountain Plover	3	Savannah Sparrow	30
Mourning Dove	40	White-crowned Sparrow	100
Greater Roadrunner	1	[Golden-crowned Sparrow - 1 - JD, GMcC)	
Com. Flicker	7	Lincoln's Sparrow	10
hybrid flicker	1	Swamp Sparrow	1
Red-naped Sapsucker	3	Song Sparrow	5
Sayis Phoebe	3		
Black Phoebe	2		
(Horned Lark - 9 - JD)			
Com. Raven	20		
(Red-breasted Nuthatch - 1 - JD)			
Winter Wren	1		
Long-billed Marsh Wren	8		
Bewick's Wren	2		
Am. Robin	8		

Stovepipe Wells, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 1230 – 1310 Wind: 2-5 Sky: sunny Temp: 85
Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn

Species:

Eared Grebe	1	Water Pipit	1
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Eur. Starling	4
Green-winged Teal	14	Audubon's Warbler	2
Blue-winged Teal	1	House Sparrow	30
Wood Duck	2	Red-winged Blackbird	3
Killdeer	3	Brewer's Blackbird	2
Sayis Phoebe	1	Savannah Sparrow	2
Com Raven	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Bewick's Wren	2		
Am. Robin	1		

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Mesquite Springs, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 1410-1430 Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn

Species: [Com. Raven - 1 - LH]

Bewick's Wren	1	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Rock Wren	1	Red-winged Blackbird	1
Am. Robin	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4	White-crowned Sparrow	3
[Loggerhead Shrike - 1 - LH]		[Brewer's Sparrow - 1 - JD]	
Orange-crowned Warbler	2		
Audubon's Warbler	6		
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1		

Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 1435-1625 Temp: 75 Sky: sunny Wind: 0-5

Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Guy McCaskie, Louis Bevier, Elizabeth Copper

Species:

Virginia Rail	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Greater Roadrunner	1	Audubon's Warbler	10
Red-naped Sapsucker	2	[Wilson's Warbler - 1 - GMcC]	
Red-breasted Sapsucker	1	House Sparrow	5
Black Phoebe	1	Brewer's Blackbird	2
Com. Raven	5	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Bewick's Wren	3	Pine Siskin	1
Long-billed Marsh Wren	2	Savannah Sparrow	4
Am. Robin	12	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Hermit Thrush	1	Fox Sparrow	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Eur. Starling	5	Song Sparrow	2

Oct. 22

East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif

Area 1: Fort Piute. Last night strong rains in the area created devastating flash floods which damaged most of the roads in Piute and Lanfair Valleys. The powerline road near Ft. Piute was completely washed out by Piute Wash. Ft. Piute itself looked like a river bed full of rocks and gravel. All the undergrowth was removed - cattails, Baccharis and small willows all gone — only the larger shrubs and trees remained, and even some of those were toppled. The clearing was so extensive that areas which were at one time near impenetrable undergrowth were now completely open and easy walking. The cottonwoods were not harmed. Time: 0800-1200 (walk in from powerline road)

Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Steve Cardiff, Sid Englund.

Wind: 2-20 E Sky: sunny Temp: 50-75

Cooper's Hawk	1	Varied Thrush	1
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Townsend's Solitaire	1
Gambell's Quail	4	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	12
Mourning Dove	1	Cedar Waxwing	2
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Water Pipit	3
Say's Phoebe	1	Solitary Vireo (cassinii)	1
Verdin	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Winter Wren	1	Audubon's Warbler	8
House Wren	1	Hooded Warbler	1
Rock Wren	5	Cassin's Finch	1
Am. Robin	12	House Finch	2
Hermit Thrush	8	Evening Grosbeak	3

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Lesser Goldfinch	2	Bobcat	1
Pine Siskin	18	Fox Sparrow (Eastern race)	1
Sage Sparrow	2	White-crowned Sparrow	20
Dark-eyed Junco	4	Golden-crowned Sparrow	2
		Lincoln's Sparrow	1

Area 2: Lanfair Valley - from edge of Piute Range along gasline Rd. to Juanpah Rd. to Ford's Dry Lake and from there N. along Woods Wash to Cedar Cyn Rd. Most of the time was spent in the barren, disturbed area at the extreme E. edge of Piute V. just S of Piute Gorge at the edge of the Piute Range. The rains had created a large area of standing water here. Time: 1330-1700 Observers: same
Wind: 5-20 N Sky: clear Temp: 60-70

Species: Red-tailed Hawk	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Killdeer	4	Vesper Sparrow	2
Sayl's Phoebe	1	Sage Sparrow	1
Burrowing Owl (Ford Dry L)	1	Brewer's Sparrow	6
Sage Thrasher	7	McCown's Longspur	1
Horned Lark	80	Chestnut-collared Longspur (Ford Dry L)	2
Loggerhead Shrike	1		
Water Pipit	250		
West. Meadowlark	9		

Area 3: Kelso - very briefly at sunset - Brown Thrasher 1, Cooper's Hawk 1

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert

Area 1: Kelso Time: 0730-1130 Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Steve Cardiff, Sid Englund, Doug Morton, Gregg Morton
Wind: calm until 0930; 5-10 after Temp: 50-80 Sky: sunny

Species: Northern Harrier	1	Evening Grosbeak	1♂
Red-tailed Hawk	1	House Finch	25
[Mourning Dove - 3 - JD]		Pine Siskin	2
Ground Dove	1	Am. Goldfinch	1♀
Red-naped Sapsucker	3	Lesser Goldfinch	2
Sayl's Phoebe	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Black Phoebe	1	Dark-eyed Junco	1
Horned Lark	5	White-crowned Sparrow	10
Com. Raven	1	[Chipping Sparrow - 1 - JD]	
Verdin	1	[Fox Sparrow - 1 - SC]	
N. Mockingbird	2	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Brown Thrasher	1	Song Sparrow	1
Am. Robin	10		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	15		
Phainopepla	1♂		
Cedar Waxwing	4		
Eur. Starling	15		
Philadelphia Vireo	1		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		
Audubon's Warbler	50		
Myrtle Warbler	2		
Black-throated Blue Warbler	1♂		
[Am. Redstart - 1♀ - SC]			
House Sparrow	20		
Brown-headed Cowbird	2		
Brewer's Blackbird	8		
Red-winged Blackbird	1♀		

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Area 2: Lanfair Valley: Cedar Cyn Rd to gasline Rd to extreme E. edge of Lanfair V (same spot as yesterday) and return. Most of the time was again spent at the disturbed area. Lanfair V is lush with grass this year – tall (6"–2 ft) bunch grasses carpet much of the area E. of Juanpah Rd. Time: 1230–15

Observers: same Wind: 0–2 Sky: sunny Temp: 75

Species		Species	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Water Pipit	40
Am. Kestrel	2	[Loggerhead Shrike - 2 - JD]	
Killdeer	3	Horned Lark	150
Mountain Plover	8	West. Meadowlark	2
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Savannah Sparrow	20
Sayis Phoebe	1	[Black-throated Sparrow - 1 - JD]	
[Bank Swallow - 1 - JD, SC, DM et al.]		McCown's Longspur	2
Com. Raven	1	Chestnut-collared Longspur	5
Rock Wren	1		
Mountain Bluebird	50		

Area 3: Cedar Canyon: Mourning Dove 1, Pinyon Jay 1

Area 4: Baker Sewage Ponds – diked table ½ mi. S. Baker.

Time: 1815–1835 Observers: same

Species		Species	
Western Grebe	2	Killdeer	2
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Com. Snipe	1
Green-winged Teal	1	Spotted Sandpiper	1
Ruddy Duck	1	Least Sandpiper	2
Am. Coot	12	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1

Area 5: Kelbaker Rd, Baker → Kelso Time: 1930 – 2030

species: Common Poorwill 5, Le Conte's Thrasher 1 (1800)

+ Baker: Lesser Nighthawk 2

Oct. 24

East Mojave Desert

Area 1: Kelso Time: 0720–0925 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 5–10 until 0830; calm after Sky: sunny Temp: 50–70

Species		Species	
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Brewer's Blackbird	5
Killdeer	1	Evening Grosbeak	1
Ground Dove	1	House Finch	40
Red-naped Sapsucker	2	Am. Goldfinch	1
Red-breasted Sapsucker	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Red-naped x Red-breasted S.	1	Lawrence's Goldfinch	1
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Pine Siskin	1
Sayis Phoebe	2	White-crowned Sparrow	1
Black Phoebe	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	
Horned Lark	1		
Com. Raven	1		
N. Mockingbird	1		
Brown Thrasher	1		
Am. Robin	6	Area 2: Granite Pass:	
Hermit Thrush	1	Anna's Hummingbird	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	15		
Eur. Starling	25		
Philadelphia Vireo	1		
Audubon's Warbler	40		
Myrtle Warbler	1		
House Sparrow	40		
Brown-headed Cowbird	1		

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Oct. 24 [cont] **Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif**

Area: Eth. McConnell Ranch Time: 1045–1125 Observers: same
Wind: 0 Temp: 80 Sky: clear

Species:			
Mourning Dove	2	Audubon's Warbler	5
White-winged Dove	1	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Anna's Hummingbird	1	House Sparrow	15
Com. Flicker	1	West. Meadowlark	1
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	Red-winged Blackbird	3 ♂
Say's Phoebe	1	Lesser Goldfinch	2
Am. Robin	4	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2		

+ Yucca Valley Golf Course: Evening Grosbeak 1, Mountain Chickadee 1, Golden-cr Sparrow 1

Oct. 29 **Lake Merritt, Oakland, Alameda Co., Calif**

Area: Embarcadero area of the lake + brief looks elsewhere Time: 1015–1100
Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 Sky: pc. (rain all last night) Temp: 60

Species:			
Eared Grebe	6	Am. Coot	500
Pied-billed Grebe	4	Western Gull	3
Brown Pelican	15	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Double-crested Cormorant	120	Ring-billed Gull	150
Great Egret	2	Forster's Tern	15
Snowy Egret	2	Rock Dove	5
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Eur. Starling	1
Mallard	50	Pine Siskin	1
Gadwall	1		
N. Pintail	2		
Tufted Duck	2		
Canvasback	60		
Greater Scaup (mostly ♂♂)	75		
Lesser Scaup	15		
Bufflehead	4		
Ruddy Duck	200		

Oct. 30 **Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.**

Area: walk from Hwy 1 along Carmel River to near its mouth (0740–1130, 1230–1400 – looking for Yellow-throated Warbler seen yesterday); brief stops at Crespi Pond, Nelson's feeder on Crocker Av, Coast Guard Pier, Carmel River Beach
Time: 0730–1130, 1230–1600 Observers: Millie and John Parmeter
Temp: 55–65 Sky: pc, mostly sunny Wind: 2–15 NW

Species:			
Common Loon	8	Am. Wigeon	4
Red-throated Loon	2	Surf Scoter	400
Red-necked Grebe	1 (BP)	(White-winged Scoter - 1 - JP)	
Eared Grebe	5	Cooper's Hawk	1
Western Grebe	150	Red-tailed Hawk	1
shearwater (sp)	2	Calif Quail	3
Brown Pelican	150	Am. Coot	50
Brandt's Cormorant	200	Snowy Plover	2
Pelagic Cormorant	10	Killdeer	5
Mallard	10	Black Turnstone	5
N. Pintail	2	Com. Snipe	1
Green-winged Teal	2	Willet	2
Cinnamon Teal	2	Greater Yellowlegs	3

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Least Sandpiper	4
Red Phalarope	200
[Parasitic-Jaeger - 1 ad - MP, JP]	
Glaucous-winged Gull	1
Western Gull	300
Calif. Gull	150
Heermann's Gull	100
Bonaparte's Gull	10
Elegant Tern	25
Com. Murre	10
Band-tailed Pigeon	15
Rock Dove	2
Mourning Dove	8
Anna's Hummingbird	6
[Selasphorus (sp) - 1 - MP, JP]	
Belted Kingfisher	3
Com. Flicker	3
Hairy Woodpecker	1
Downy Woodpecker	1
Black Phoebe	3
Say's Phoebe	1
[Western Flycatcher - 1 - JP, MP]	
Scrub Jay	2
Steller's Jay	1
Com. Crow	8
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	30
Bushtit	25
[Red-breasted Nuthatch - 1 - JP]	
Wrentit	2
Winter Wren	8
House Wren	1
Bewick's Wren	4
N. Mockingbird	1
Am. Robin	3
Hermit Thrush	7
Blue-gray Gnatcher	1
Cedar Waxwing	5
House Sparrow	15
Eur. Starling	5
Hutton's Vireo	4
Philadelphia Vireo	1
Warbling Vireo (late)	1
[Black-and-white Warbler - 1 - JP]	
Orange-crowned Warbler	3
[Nashville Warbler - 1 - MP]	
Myrtle Warbler	15
Audubon's Warbler	8
Townsend's Warbler	5
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Tennessee Warbler	2
Com. Yellowthroat	1
Red-winged Blackbird	10
Brewer's Blackbird	25
Evening Grosbeak	2
Purple Finch	3
House Finch	40
Pine Siskin	2
Am. Goldfinch	5
Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Brown Towhee	4
White-crowned Sparrow	3
Golden-crowned Sparrow	25
Fox Sparrow	5
Song Sparrow	5

+ Castroville: Cattle Egret 1 (pond on Castroville Bvd - overhead)

Nov. 6 Monterey Area, Monterey Co., Calif

Area: Carmel River mouth from Hwy 1 to near the mouth (0800-1200); Washington Park; Pt. Pinos Cemetery; Pt. Pinos - Crespi Pond; Lover's Point; Hopkins Marine Station; Monterey Harbor (both piers). Time: 0745-1715.

Observers: Linda Hale, Joe Morlan Wind: 5-20 NW, ocean very rough, wind very strong along shoreline Sky: clear Temp: 50-60

Species:

Common Loon	15
Arctic Loon	1500+
Red-throated Loon	8
Red-necked Grebe	2
Horned Grebe	5
Eared Grebe	8
Western Grebe	150
Pied-billed Grebe	8
Northern Fulmar	50 (3 white)
New Zealand Shearwater	3
Sooty Shearwater	10
Sooty/Short-tailed Shearwater	8
Manx Shearwater	2
Leach's Storm Petrel	1
Brown Pelican	50
Brandt's Cormorant	150
Pelagic Cormorant	20
Great Blue Heron	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	2
Mallard	25
N. Pintail	5
Green-winged Teal	30

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Cinnamon Teal	1
Am. Wigeon	1
Greater Scaup	10
[Oldsquaw - 1 - JM]	
White-winged Scoter	40
Surf Scoter	800
Black Scoter	7
Red-breasted Merganser	3
Cooper's Hawk	1
Peregrine Falcon	1
Am. Coot	100
Killdeer	3
Black-bellied Plover	2
Ruddy Turnstone	1
Black Turnstone	15
Whimbrel	2
Willet	100
Least Sandpiper	5
Sanderling	10
Red Phalarope	200
[Pomarine Jaeger - 1 - JM]	
Parasitic Jaeger	4
Glaucous-winged Gull	5
Western Gull	400
California Gull	300
Mew Gull	200
Bonaparte's Gull	500
Heermann's Gull	500
Black-legged Kittiwake	6
Sabine's Gull	1
Common / Arctic Tern	1
Elegant Tern	30
Common Murre	150
Rhinoceros Auklet	1
Cassin's Auklet	10
Band-tailed Pigeon	10
Rock Dove	25
Mourning Dove	6
Anna's Hummingbird	10
Belted Kingfisher	2
Common Flicker	4
Acorn Woodpecker	5
Hairy Woodpecker	3
Downy Woodpecker	3
Nuttall's Woodpecker	1
Black Phoebe	4
Steller's Jay	2
Scrub Jay	12
Common / Crow	6
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	45
Bushtit	20
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Pygmy Nuthatch	5
Brown Creeper	3
Wrentit	3
House Wren	1
Winter Wren	5
Bewick's Wren	5
N. Mockingbird	1
Am. Robin	2
Varied Thrush	4
Hermit Thrush	12
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	30
Water Pipit	2
Cedar Waxwing	1
Eur. Starling	25
Hutton's Vireo	3
Black-and-white Warbler	1
Tennessee Warbler	2
Orange-crowned Warbler	3
Nashville Warbler	1
Myrtle Warbler	20
Audubon's Warbler	8
Townsend's Warbler	15
Black-throated Green Warbler	1
Bay-breasted Warbler	1
Wilson's Warbler	1
American Redstart	1
Red-winged Blackbird	15
Brewer's Blackbird	25
Purple Finch	4
House Finch	5
Pine Siskin	1
Am. Goldfinch	5
Rufous-sided Towhee	4
Brown Towhee	8
Oregon Junco	20
White-crowned Sparrow	10
Golden-crowned Sparrow	30
Fox Sparrow	5
Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Song Sparrow	6

+ Salinas River x Hwy 1:

Merlin	1
Arctic Tern	1

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Nov. 9 **Holland Tract, Contra Costa Co., Calif.**

Area: pig farm on Holland Tract Rd + road to Holland Tract Pheasant Club
Time: 0930 - 1045 Wind: 0 Sky: clear, some high clouds, sunny Temp: 6[illegible]
Observers: Linda Hale, Gaith Alton

Species		Species	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Com. Crow	2
Am. Kestrel	1	Scrub Jay	1
Turkey Vulture	1	N. Mockingbird	1
Am. Coot	50	Varied Thrush	1
Killdeer	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Herring Gull	50	Eur. Starling	500
Thayer's Gull	10	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Calif. Gull	200	Audubon's Warbler	1
Ring-billed Gull	1000	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Mew Gull	1	Red-winged Blackbird	50
Rock Dove	25	Brewer's Blackbird	25
Com. Flicker	5	House Finch	25
Black Phoebe	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
		White-crowned Sparrow	5
		Lincoln's Sparrow	1
		Am. Goldfinch	2

Lake Merritt, Oakland, Alameda Co., Calif

Area: Embarcadero end of Lake to the zoo Observers: Linda Hale
Time: 1300-1430 Wind: 0 Temp: 70 Sky: clear, sunny, some high clouds

Species		Species	
Eared Grebe	5	Ruddy Duck	300
West. Grebe	1	Am. Coot	300
Pied-billed Grebe	15	Glaucous-winged Gull	5
Brown Pelican	15	West. Gull	10
Double-crested Cormorant	260	Thayer's Gull	1
Great Egret	4	Calif. Gull	15
Snowy Egret	2	Ring-billed Gull	150
[Black-crowned Night Heron - 1 - LH]		Mew Gull	10
Mallard (+ many ferals?)	4+	Forster's Tern	1
N. Pintail	4	Rock Dove	100
N. Shoveler	1	Anna's Hummingbird	1
Canvasback	200	Cedar Waxwing	3
Tufted Duck	2	Audubon's Warbler	1
Greater Scaup	20	House Sparrow	25
Lesser Scaup	500		
Com. Goldeneye	15		
Barrow's Goldeneye [2♂, 1♀]	3		
Bufflehead	20		
White-winged Scoter	3		
Surf Scoter	10		

Nov. 13 **Monterey area, Monterey Co., California**

Area: Carmel River from Hwy 1 to near mouth, 0800-1230; Pt. Pinos - Crespi Pond area (1300-1545 - ~~2hrs~~ 1 3/4 hrs sea watch); Hopkins Marine Station; Coast Guard Pier. Time: 0750-1700 Observers: Linda Hale, Dick Erickson, Brian McCaffery Wind: 2-10 W Sky: clear, sunny Temp: 60-65 Water: at Pt. Pinos - no chop but enormous swells limited horizon

Species		Species	
Common Loon	10	Pied-billed Grebe	2
Arctic Loon	1900	Northern Fulmar	20 (1 white)
Red-throated Loon	4	New Zealand Shearwater	2
Western Grebe	100	Sooty Shearwater	12

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Short-tailed Shearwater	1
Manx Shearwater	112
Brown Pelican	25
Brandt's Cormorant	200
Pelagic Cormorant	20
(Black-crowned Night Heron - 1 - BM)	
Mallard	10
Gadwall	2
N. Pintail	8
Green-winged Teal	15
Cinnamon Teal	1
White-winged Scoter	8
Surf Scoter	200
Red-breasted Merganser	3
Cooper's Hawk	1
Red-tailed Hawk	1
(Northern Harrier - 1 - LH)	
(Virginia Rail - 1 - DE)	
Sora	3
Am. Coot	30
Black Oystercatcher	12
Killdeer	3
Black-bellied Plover	5
Surfbird	8
Ruddy Turnstone	2
Black Turnstone	60
Common Snipe	2
Whimbrel	4
Wandering Tattler	3
Willet	15
Least Sandpiper	5
Long-billed Dowitcher	8
Marbled Godwit	1
Red Phalarope	3000
Pomarine Jaeger	2
Glaucous-winged Gull	15
Western Gull	400
Herring Gull	1
Calif. Gull	600
Mew Gull	25
Bonaparte's Gull	25
Heermann's Gull	300
Black-legged Kittiwake	10
Elegant Tern	5
Com. Murre	800
Pigeon Guillemot	1
Rhinoceros Auklet	3
Rock Dove	5
Anna's Hummingbird	5
Belted Kingfisher	4
(Red-breasted Sapsucker - 1 - DE)	
Nuttall's Woodpecker	1
Black Phoebe	6
Scrub Jay	5
Com. Crow	15
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	15
Bushtit	20
Wrentit	1
House Wren	1
Winter Wren	7
Bewick's Wren	4
Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Am. Robin	1
Hermit Thrush	15
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	15
Water Pipit	1
Cedar Waxwing	15
Eur. Starling	1000
Hutton's Vireo	3
Black-and-white Warbler	1
Tennessee Warbler	2
Orange-crowned Warbler	2
Nashville Warbler	1
Myrtle Warbler	15
Audubon's Warbler	10
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Townsend's Warbler	2
Palm Warbler	2
Wilson's Warbler	1
Red-winged Blackbird	5
Brewer's Blackbird	50
Purple Finch	3
House Finch	15
Pine Siskin	2
Am. Goldfinch	2
Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Brown Towhee	4
Savannah Sparrow	1
Chipping Sparrow	1
White-crowned Sparrow	10
Golden-crowned Sparrow	50
Fox Sparrow	8
Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Song Sparrow	8
(Merlin - 1 - DE - over water at Pt. Pinos)	

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Tree/Violet-green Swallow	1

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Nov. 16 **Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif**

Area: SE corner of L. Merced at the old bridge Time: 1130-1215
Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 Temp: 70 Sky: clear

Species:		Species:	
Eared Grebe	10	Tropical Kingbird	1
Western Grebe	10	Scrub Jay	2
Pied-billed Grebe	15	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2
Double-crested Cormorant	10	Pygmy Nuthatch	2
Lesser Scaup	10	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
Bufflehead	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
Ruddy Duck	100	Water Pipit	1
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Pine Siskin	1
Am. Coot	25	Red Crossbill	1
Killdeer	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	30	Dark-eyed Junco	2
Western Gull	800	White-crowned Sparrow	5
California Gull	800	Golden-crowned Sparrow	5
Ring-billed Gull	2	Song Sparrow	5
Mew Gull	3	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Franklin's Gull	1		
Bonaparte's Gull	5		
Com. Flicker	1		

Nov. 19 **Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif.**

Area: mouth of Pine Gulch Creek; houses W of Mesa Rd x Overlook Rd (looking for E. Phoebe seen here ~2 days ago); mouth of lagoon; Bolinas Sewage Ponds. (No attempt made to examine waterbirds on lagoon). Time: 0640 - 1030 Observers: Linda Hale, Dick Erickson, Mike and John Parmeter. Tide: +6 at ~0700
Wind: 5-15 NW Temp: 40-50 Sky: clear

Species:			
Common Loon	1	Calif. Quail	2
Red-throated Loon	1	Killdeer	5
Brown Pelican	10	Black-bellied Plover	1
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Greater Yellowlegs	2
Snowy Egret	1	Willet	10
Mallard	5	Marbled Godwit	10
Gadwall	5	peep (sp)	300
N. Pintail	25	Least Sandpiper	5
Green-winged Teal	5	Com. Snipe	4
Am. Wigeon	200	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
scaup (sp)	10	Western Gull	25
Bufflehead	5	Calif Gull	10
Surf Scoter	2	Mew Gull	200
White-winged Scoter	2	Bonaparte's Gull	20
Red-breasted Merganser	2	Anna's Hummingbird	2
Turkey Vulture	8 2	Belted Kingfisher	1
White-tailed Kite	2	Com. Flicker	2
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Black Phoebe	6
Rough-legged Hawk	1	Say's Phoebe	2
Cooper's Hawk	1	Com Crow	10
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	Scrub Jay	2
Peregrine Falcon	1	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2
Merlin	2	Wrentit	1
Am. Kestrel	2	Winter Wren	1

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Long-billed Marsh Wren	7	Red-winged Blackbird	50
N. Mockingbird	2	Purple Finch	5
Varied Thrush	2	House Finch	5
Am. Robin	1	Pine Siskin	5
West. Bluebird	5	Am. Goldfinch	5
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3	Savannah Sparrow	2
Water Pipit	5	Sharp-tailed Sparrow	1
Loggerhead Shrike	1	White-crowned Sparrow	30
Eur. Starling	10	Golden-crowned Sparrow	15
Hutton's Vireo	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	10	Song Sparrow	5
Townsend's Warbler	1	Western Grebe	5
West. Meadowlark	30	Eared Grebe	1
Brewer's Blackbird	5		

Point Reyes, Marin Co. California

Area: walked 2½+ miles at Pt. Reyes Beach North and Pt. Reyes Beach South (looking for Snow Bunting seen 2 days ago) for almost all of the time spent here; Fish Docks (very briefly); Drakes Beach (briefly); Hall Ranch (briefly). Time: 1115-1645 Observers: same
Wind: 5-15 / NW Temp: 45-50 Sky: clear

Species: Common Loon	8	Western Gull	25
Arctic Loon	150	Calif. Gull	100
Red-throated Loon	5	Mew Gull	5
Horned Grebe	1	Heermann's Gull	20→5
Western Grebe	10	Black-legged Kittiwake	15
Brown Pelican	15	Com. Murre	8
Brandt's Cormorant	15	Ancient Murrelet	2
Am. Wigeon	6	Rhinoceros Auklet	1
Green-winged Teal	10	Black Phoebe	3
Scaup (sp)	10	Sayl's Phoebe	1
White-winged Scoter	40	Horned Lark	10
Surf Scoter	100	Com. Raven	5
Black Scoter	6	Golden-crowned Kinglet	1
Red-breasted Merganser	3	Water Pipit	10
Turkey Vulture	5	Audubon's Warbler	15
Red-tailed Hawk	4	W. Meadowlark	5
Rough-legged Hawk	4	House Finch	75
Ferruginous Hawk	1	Savannah Sparrow	15
Am. Kestrel	2	White-crowned Sparrow	25
Killdeer	15	Song Sparrow	3
Am. Golden Plover	1	Chestnut-collared Longspur	1
Snowy Plover	4	Lapland Longspur	6
Willet	1		
Sanderling	2	beach washups - 4 dark N. Fulmars,	
Glaucous-winged Gull	3	1 Short-tailed Shearwater	

Nov. 20

Monticello Dam, Yolo Co. Calif

Area: walk from Hwy 128 up to base of dam on Yolo Co. side of Putah Creek (to look for Snow Bunting seen here yesterday). Time: 0745-0930
Wind: 0 Temp: 40-45 Sky: high overcast, some sun Observers: Linda Hale, Don Roberson, Dave DeSante, Mike + John Parmeter, Alan Craig, Steve Laymon, Jarri Langham,

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Species:

Common Merganser	1
Red-tailed Hawk	1
Spotted Sandpiper	1
Belted Kingfisher	1
Anna's Hummingbird	2
Com. Flicker	1
Black Phoebe	2
Scrub Jay	1
Am. Dipper (Solano Co. side)	1
Rock Wren	2
Hermit Thrush	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4
Townsend's Solitaire	1
Audubon's Warbler	1
Brown Towhee	1
Oregon Junco	2
Snow Bunting	1

Nov. 23

Mesquite Spring, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 0630-0800, 0845-0900 Observers: Linda Hale, Don Roberson

Wind: 10-20 N Temp: 35-40 Sky: clear

Species:

Cooper's Hawk	1
Com. Raven	2
Bewick's Wren	1
Rock Wren	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Eur. Starling	5
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Myrtle Warbler	1
House Finch	1
Pine Siskin	1
Am. Goldfinch	1
White-crowned Sparrow	5
Fox Sparrow	1

Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co., Calif.

Time: 0800-0845 Observers: same

Wind: 5-15 N Temp: 40 Sky: clear

Species:

Am. Coot	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
House Sparrow	2
White-crowned Sparrow	5
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
Song Sparrow	3

Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.

Time: 1000-1600 Observers: same

Wind: 0 Temp: 55-65 Sky: clear

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	2
Green Heron	1
Canada Goose	2
Mallard	30
Gadwall	6
Green-winged Teal	4
Blue-winged Teal	1
Am. Wigeon	8
N. Shoveler	1
Wood Duck	1♂
Canvasback	1
Lesser Scaup	1
Com. Goldeneye	1
Barrow's Goldeneye	1
Bufflehead	1
Ruddy Duck	1
[Cooper's Hawk - 1 - DR]	
Red-tailed Hawk	2
Am. Kestrel	1
Am. Coot	50
(Virginia Rail - 1 - DR)	
Killdeer	2
Mourning Dove	1
Greater Roadrunner	1
Red-shafted Flicker	4
Black Phoebe	2
Say's Phoebe	3
Tree Swallow	1
Cliff Swallow	1
Com. Raven	25
Winter Wren	1
Long-billed Marsh Wren	8
Am. Robin	2
(Varied Thrush - 1 - LH)	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
Water Pipit	5

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Nov. 23 [con't]

Eur. Starling	1500	White-crowned Sparrow	200
Audubon's Warbler	10	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
House Sparrow	15	Harris' Sparrow	2
W. Meadowlark	30	Lincoln's Sparrow	4
Red-winged Blackbird	2	[Swamp Sparrow - 1 - DR]	
Brewer's Blackbird	75	Song Sparrow	5
Brown-headed Cowbird	4		
House Finch	15		
[Am. Goldfinch - 1 - DR]			
Savannah Sparrow	3		

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Area: Grass Valley Lake (nr. ~~Big~~ L. Arrowhead); Big Bear Lake; Baldwin Lake
Time: 0830 – 1400 Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, Kimball Garrett
Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear Temp: 55-70

Species:

Common Loon	1	Band-tailed Pigeon	10
Eared Grebe	25	Annas Hummingbird	2
Canada Goose	4	Hairy Woodpecker	3
Mallard	25	White-headed Woodpecker	1
Gadwall	25	Horned Lark	150
N. Pintail	100	Steller's Jay	5
Green-winged Teal	25	Com. Raven	4
Am. Wigeon	500	Mountain Chickadee	5
European Wigeon	1	White-breasted Nuthatch	1
Ring-necked Duck	150	Brown Creeper	1
Lesser Scaup	25	Am. Robin	1
Redhead	10	West. Bluebird	3
Canvasback	500	Pygmy Nuthatch	3
Common Goldeneye	3	Water Pipit	75
Bufflehead	3	Eur. Starling	5
N. Shoveler	35	Myrtle Warbler	1
Ruddy Duck	600	Oregon Junco	2
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Savannah Sparrow	10
Rough-legged Hawk	3	Chestnut-collared Longspur	25
Ferruginous Hawk	2		
Merlin	1		
Am. Kestrel	1		
Am. Coot	10,000		
Calif. Gull	60		
Ring-billed Gull	15		

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: gravel ponds along Dairymart Rd; 19th St. Ditch; Wendover Ranch; Border Field St. Park, from ends of Monument Rd. and Sunset; "clump" on Monument Rd. Observers: Linda Hale Time: 0945 – 1715
Temp: 80-85 Sky: clear Wind: 0-5 W

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	1	Reddish Egret	1
Brown Pelican	1	Green-winged Teal	3
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Lesser Scaup	1
Great Blue Heron	4	Bufflehead	1
Green Heron	1	Ruddy Duck	1
Little Blue Heron	1	White-tailed Kite	3
Snowy Egret	30	Sharp-shinned Hawk	1
Cattle Egret	12	Accipiter (sp)	1

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Tijuana River Valley [cont]

Red-tailed Hawk	18
Northern Harrier	12
Am. Kestrel	13
Calif. Quail	1
Sora	2
Com. Gallinule	3
Am. Coot	5
Killdeer	50
Com. Snipe	2
Long-billed Curlew	3
Willet	40
Greater Yellowlegs	1
Least Sandpiper	25
Dunlin	10
Marbled Godwit	1
gull (sp)	400
Ring-billed Gull	10
Forster's Tern	5
Rock Dove	10
Com. Ground Dove	3
Mourning Dove	15
Short-eared Owl	4
Anna's Hummingbird	7
Belted Kingfisher	2
Black Phoebe	9
Say's Phoebe	4
Horned Lark	100
Tree Swallow	2
Scrub Jay	1
Bushtit	10
Wrentit	5
House Wren	6
Bewick's Wren	2
Long-billed Marsh Wren	7
N. Mockingbird	4
Calif. Thrasher	3
Hermit Thrush	6
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	3
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	4
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4
Water Pipit	250
Loggerhead Shrike	4
Eur. Starling	1000
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Audubon's Warbler	30
Townsend's Warbler	3
Com. Yellowthroat	2
Wilson's Warbler	1
House Sparrow	15
W. Meadowlark	20
Red-winged Blackbird	400
Brewer's Blackbird	90
blackbird (sp)	1000
House Finch	35
Am. Goldfinch	2
Lesser Goldfinch	1
Green-tailed Towhee	1
Brown Towhee	7
Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Savannah Sparrow	100
Oregon Junco	1
White-crowned Sparrow	12
Fox Sparrow	1
Lincoln's Sparrow	5
Swamp Sparrow	1
Song Sparrow	3

+ San Diego River mouth: Reddish Egret 1, Brant 150

Dec. 4

Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif

Area: from Hwy 1 to mouth of Carmel River (0720–1100); Pt. Pinos, Crespi Pond, Lover's Pt, Hopkins Marine Station and several stops in between, Coast Guard Pier.
Time: 0720–1700 Observers: Tom Valega (Maryland) Temp: 55-65
Sky: clear, some intermittent fog at Pt. Pinos Wind: along Carmel River, 5-10 W, except for w 1 hr. mid-morning calm; 0-5 W Pacific Grove
Water (Pt. Pinos): moderate chop and swells.

Species:

Common Loon	
Arctic Loon	500+
Red-throated Loon	3
Red-necked Grebe	5
Horned Grebe	20
Eared Grebe	5
Western Grebe	60
Pied-billed Grebe	4
Northern Fulmar	150 (15 wh
? Pink-footed Shearwater (distant)	1
Sooty Shearwater	4
Short-tailed Shearwater	2

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Sooty / Short-tailed Shearwater	25	Anna's Hummingbird	6
Brown Pelican	85	Belted Kingfisher	1
Brandt's Cormorant	250	Com. Flicker	1
Pelagic Cormorant	100	Hairy Woodpecker	1
Great Blue Heron	2	Downy Woodpecker	2
Mallard	4	Black Phoebe	3
N. Pintail	4	Scrub Jay	1
Green-winged Teal	40	Com. Crow	20
Wood Duck	1♀	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	15
Oldsquaw	1	Pygmy Nuthatch	2
White-winged Scoter	20	Wrentit	3
Surf Scoter	100	House Wren	1
Red-breasted Merganser	12 (1 ad. ♂)	Winter Wren	5
White-tailed Kite	1	Bewick's Wren	3
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Am. Robin	5
Sora	1	Hermit Thrush	12
Am. Coot	20	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Killdeer	4	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	10
Black-bellied Plover	15	Water Pipit	4
Surfbird	2	Eur. Starling	300
Ruddy Turnstone	2	Hutton's Vireo	1
Black Turnstone	30	Tennessee Warbler	1
Com. Snipe	3	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Whimbrel	1	Myrtle Warbler	20
Wandering Tattler	1	Audubon's Warbler	10
Willet	40	Townsend's Warbler	2
Sanderling	10	Wilson's Warbler	2
Red Phalarope	500+	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Pomarine Jaeger	5	Brewer's Blackbird	30
Parasitic Jaeger	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	4
Glaucous-winged Gull	15	Purple Finch	4
Western Gull	600	House Finch	10
Herring Gull	2	Pine Siskin	4
Thayer's Gull	1	Lesser Goldfinch	2
California Gull	800	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Mew Gull	80	Brown Towhee	4
Bonaparte's Gull	13	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Heermann's Gull	800	Golden-crowned Sparrow	50
Black-legged Kittiwake	100	Fox Sparrow	10
Common Murre	500+	Lincoln's Sparrow	4
murrelet (sp)	2	Song Sparrow	20
Cassin's Auklet	3		
Rhinoceros Auklet	1000+		
Mourning Dove	4		

Dec. 10 Angwin area, Napa Co., Calif

Area: forest around Angwin, Howell Mtn. Road, Lake Hennessey

Time: 0645-1000 Observers: Linda Hale, John Parmeter

Temp: 35-60 Wind: 0 Sky: clear

Species: Common Loon	2	Double-crested Cormorant	50
Horned Grebe	3	Great Blue Heron	5
Eared Grebe	15	Canada Goose	100
Western Grebe	150	Snow Goose	1
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Ring-necked Duck	10

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Angwin area [cont]

Mallard	100
N. Pintail	15
Green-winged Teal	25
Am. Wigeon	30
Canvasback	50
Greater Scaup (apparently expected)	25
Lesser Scaup	2
Bufflehead	25
Ruddy Duck	25
Com. Merganser	50
Red-tailed Hawk	2
Red-shouldered Hawk	1
Am. Kestrel	1
Am. Coot	100
Killdeer	3
Greater Yellowlegs	1
Band-tailed Pigeon	40
(Mourning Dove - 1 - JP)	
N. Pygmy Owl	1
Anna's Hummingbird	4
Com. Flicker	6
Pileated Woodpecker	2
Hairy Woodpecker	5
Nuttall's Woodpecker	2
Black Phoebe	3
Steller's Jay	6
Scrub Jay	2
Com. Raven	3
Com. Crow	15
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	4
Plain Titmouse	2
Bushtit	2
White-breasted Nuthatch	1
Brown Creeper	1
Bewick's Wren	2
Rock Wren	1
Am. Robin	50
Varied Thrush	25
Hermit Thrush	8
West. Bluebird	5
Golden-crowned Kinglet	3
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6
Cedar Waxwing	25
Eur. Starling	2000
Hutton's Vireo	1
Yellow-rumped Warbler	5
Brewer's Blackbird	100
Purple Finch	35
Pine Siskin	4
Lesser Goldfinch	6
Rufous-sided Towhee	4
Brown Towhee	3
Rufous-crowned Sparrow	1
Oregon Junco	10
Golden-crowned Sparrow	6
Fox Sparrow	5
Song Sparrow	1
Herring Gull	1
Calif. Gull	3
Ring-billed Gull	25
Bonaparte's Gull	5

Kennedy Park, Napa, Napa Co., Calif

Area: brief look at "Wild Bird Refuge". Observers: same Time: 1030-1045

Species

Ross' Goose	6 (5 ad. 1 im)
Double-crested Cormorant	1
greasy mallard types	150
Ruddy Duck	2
Am. Coot	20
Com. Gallinule	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	1
Western Gull	1
Calif. Gull	2
Ring-billed Gull	50
Mew Gull	50
Loggerhead Shrike	1
Eur. Starling	100
Rock Dove	75
N. Mockingbird	1
Red-winged Blackbird	200
Brewer's Blackbird	200
House Finch	5
Savannah Sparrow	1

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Benicia State Park, Solano Co. Park

Area: tidal marshes near picnic area. Walked with large group through marsh looking for Black Rails Time: 1200-1315 Observers: Linda Hale, John + Mike Parmeter, Joel Hornstein, Jeri Langham, Steve + Karen Bailey, Vicklie Dziadosz, Wayne Tillay + 30 others Tide: + 6.9 (1220) Wind: 5
Sky: low overcast, foggy Temp: 55

Species:			
Black Rail	1	Eur. Starling	10
Am. Coot	4	Water Pipit	4
Killdeer	5	Song Sparrow	2
[Com. Snipe - 1 - JP]			
West. Gull	1		

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Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co. Calif

Area: golf course + airport ponds Time: 0645-1110 Observers: Linda Hale, Don Roberson, Garth Alton Wind: 0 Temp: 45-60 Sky: mostly sunny, some high clouds

Species:			
Pied-billed Grebe	4	Long-billed Marsh Wren	5
Green Heron	1	Am. Robin	5
(Canada Goose - 2 - DR, GA)		Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6
Mallard	4	Water Pipit	2
Green-winged Teal	7	Eur. Starling	1000
Am. Wigeon	4	Myrtle Warbler	10
N. Shoveler	1	Audubon's Warbler	5
Wood Duck	1	House Sparrow	15
Greater Scaup	1	W. Meadowlark	13
Bufflehead	1	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Ruddy Duck	1	Brewer's Blackbird	120
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Streak-backed Oriole	1
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Com. Flicker	2	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	White-crowned Sparrow	150
Sayis Phoebe	4	Fox Sparrow	1 (HO)
Black Phoebe	1	Song Sparrow	4
Com. Raven	30		

Mesquite Spring, Inyo Co. Calif

Time: 1205-1215 Observers: same Wind: 5-10 Sky: high overcast

Species:	
[Rock Wren - 1 - DR]	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
White-crowned Sparrow	1

Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co. Calif

Time: 1220-1240 (brief) Observers: same Wind: 0-5 Sky: high overcast

Species:			
Black Phoebe	1	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3	Oregon Junco	6
Water Pipit	1	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
Eur. Starling	5	White-crowned Sparrow	[5
Long-billed Marsh Wren	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Myrtle Warbler	5	(Song Sparrow - 2 - DR)	
Audubon's Warbler	3		

Roads in Nevada from Death Valley to Oasis (Hwys 58, 95, Lida Pass):

Cooper's Hawk 1, Sharp-shinned Hawk 1, Rough-legged Hawk 1, Prairie Falcon 1, Am. Kestrel 1, Horned Lark 5, House Finch 200, Sage Sparrow 5

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Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif

Time: 1400-1530 Observers: same Wind: 2-10 Sky: clear Temp

Species:

Cooper's Hawk	1	(Long-billed Marsh Wren - 1-DR)	
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
N. Harrier	1	Yellow-rumped Warbler	1
Prairie Falcon	2	House Finch	15
Merlin	2	Am. Goldfinch	25
Am. Kestrel	2	Sage Sparrow	2
Calif. Quail	20	Savannah Sparrow	1
Killdeer	1	White-crowned Sparrow	100
Mountain Plover	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	2
Dunlin	1	Song Sparrow	3
Least Sandpiper	1		
Horned Lark	500		
Black-billed Magpie	1		

Deep Springs Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif

Time: 1545-1630 Observers: same Wind: 0-2 Sky: clear Temp: 45-50

Species:

Red-tailed Hawk	2	Red-winged Blackbird	50
N. Harrier	1	W. Meadowlark	15
Prairie Falcon	1	House Sparrow	80
Am. Kestrel	2	House Finch	1
Killdeer	3	Savannah Sparrow	75
Com. Flicker	2	White-crowned Sparrow	200
Red-breasted × Red-naped Sapsucker	1	Oregon Junco	10
(Rock Wren - 1-DR)		(Lincoln's Sparrow - 1-DR)	
Loggerhead Shrike	2	Song Sparrow	1
Eur. Starling	50		
Brewer's Blackbird	600		

Dec. 16

Redwood Regional Park, Alameda Co. Calif

Area: walked in from road past parking lot and about ½ mile beyond parking lot to where road narrows and is surrounded by redwoods

Observers: Linda Hale, Steve + Karen Bailey, Don Roberson

Time: 0500-0630 Wind: 0 Sky: no moon but overcast reflecting city lights making everything a little light Temp: 40-45

Species:

Great Horned Owl	4 (HO)	Am. Robin	1
Com. Screech-Owl	1 (HO)	Varied Thrush	4
N. Saw-whet Owl	1 (HO)	Hermit Thrush	1

Dec. 18

Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co., Calif

Area: Bodega Head; from parking lot NW along shore ~1/4 mile Time: 0745-1000

Observers: Linda Hale Sky: overcast, raining until ~0900, clearing afterwards

Wind: 5-15 until 0900, calm afterwards Temp: 55 Tide: receding

Species:

Com. Loon	5	Surf Scoter	100
Arctic Loon	3	White-winged Scoter	10
Red-throated Loon	2	Red-tailed Hawk	1
Horned Grebe	3	Am. Kestrel	1
West. Grebe	20	Black Oystercatcher	3
N. Fulmar	4	Black Turnstone	5
Brown Pelican	1	Surfbird	15
Brandt's Cormorant	50	Willet	2
Pelagic Cormorant	10	Rock Sandpiper	3

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Wandering Tattler	2	Com. Flicker	3
Glaucous-winged Gull	20	Black Phoebe	1
Mew Gull	3	Com. Raven	3
Black-legged Kittiwake	2	Audubon's Warbler	2
? Common/Arctic Tern → S over ocean	1	W. Meadowlark	30
[Forster's not 100% eliminated]		White-crowned Sparrow	15
Common Murre	2	Song Sparrow	5
Marbled Murrelet	4		

+ harbor: Oldsquaw 1

Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif

Area: roads from southern border of county north to Van Damme State Park; scoped the ocean from Pt. Arena; stopped at Garcia River and Van Dame St. Pk. Time: 1230 – 1645 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 55

Species:

Arctic Loon	5	Glaucous-winged Gull	25
Vest. Grebe	6	West. Gull	25
Horned Grebe	6	Calif. Gull	10
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Herring Gull	1
Black-footed Albatross	2	Mew Gull	1500
N. Fulmar	1	Com. Murre	5
Brandt's Cormorant	20	Belted Kingfisher	1
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Com. Flicker	3
Pelagic Cormorant	150	Black Phoebe	6
Great Blue Heron	10	Scrub Jay	1
Cattle Egret	14	Com. Raven	250
Black-crowned Night Heron	6	Bushtit	11
Whistling Swan	139	Wrentit	2
Mallard	50	Winter Wren	8
N. Pintail	3	Am. Robin	20
Green-winged Teal	100	Varied Thrush	5
Am. Wigeon	200	Hermit Thrush	3
Wood Duck	2	Golden-crowned Kinglet	2
Greater Scaup	5	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Com. Goldeneye	2	Water Pipit	2
Bufflehead	8	Eur. Starling	100
White-winged Scoter	40	Yellow-rumped Warbler	11
Surf Scoter	75	House Sparrow	2
Red-breasted Merganser	2	W. Meadowlark	4
Turkey Vulture	18	Red-winged Blackbird	1
White-tailed Kite	2	Brewer's Blackbird	3
Red-tailed Hawk	7	House Finch	10
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Oregon Junco	2
Rough-legged Hawk	2	Fox Sparrow	13
N. Harrier (4 ad. ♂)	5	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Am. Kestrel	38	Song Sparrow	10
Virginia Rail	1		
Sora	1		
Am. Coot	5		
Killdeer	10		
Willet	1		
Long-billed Dowitcher	1		
~~Sanderling~~			
Black Turnstone	10		

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Klamath area Del Norte Co. Calif

Area: Alder Point Rd, stopping every 1/4 mile; "Eleanor Pugh" Trail at Humboldt Co. road to mouth of Klamath River; area ~1/4 mi. W. of Pequa turnoff on Hwy 101. Time: 0735 - 1200 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 5-15 on Pugh trail; elsewhere calm Sky: clear, sunny Temp: 30-4

Species:

West. Grebe	5	Com. Flicker	3
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Hairy Woodpecker	2
Great Blue Heron	3	Steller's Jay	6
Wood Duck	1	Com. Raven	4
Lesser Scaup	5	Black-capped Chickadee	5 (Requ
Ring-necked Duck	1	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	15
Ruddy Duck	5	Brown Creeper	3
Com. Merganser	5	Wrentit	5
Surf Scoter	10	Winter Wren	13
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Am. Robin	400
Am. Kestrel	1	Varied Thrush	60
Virginia Rail	8	Hermit Thrush	5
Glaucous-winged Gull	10	Golden-crowned Kinglet	20
Killdeer	3	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	12
Com. Snipe	2	Eur. Starling	10
Sanderling	50	Hutton's Vireo	1
West. Gull	25	Myrtle Warbler	1
Mew Gull	50	Pine Siskin	150
gull (sp)	200	Oregon Junco	12
Belted Kingfisher	1	Fox Sparrow	13
		Song Sparrow	5

Lake Earl Del Norte Co. Calif

Area: Lake Earl from the end of Buzzini Rd; sand dunes and clumps of trees along w. edge of Lake Earl as far south as L. Talawa. This area looks fantastic for Snow Bunting and Snowy Owl - extensive grassy dunes with bare areas and low wet areas. Time: 1345 - 1550

Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: 45-50

Species:

Com. Loon	3	Rough-legged Hawk	2
Red-throated Loon	1	N. Harrier	20
Horned Grebe	3	Am. Kestrel	5
Eared Grebe	10	Killdeer	4
West. Grebe	60	Com. Snipe	1
Pied-billed Grebe	5	gull (sp)	200
Double-crested Cormorant	15	Bonaparte's Gull	5
Great Blue Heron	6	Am. Coot	600
Great Egret	25	peep (sp)	300
Whistling Swan	18	Com. Flicker	20
Mallard	5	Downy Woodpecker	1
Green-winged Teal	2	Black Phoebe	1
Canvasback	5	Com. Raven	15
scaup (sp)	300	Long-billed Marsh Wren	13
Surf Scoter	10	Am. Robin	20
White-winged Scoter	3	Hermit Thrush	1
Bufflehead	15	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4
Ruddy Duck	700	Water Pipit	4
duck (sp)	1000	Northern Shrike	2
White-tailed Kite	2	Eur. Starling	10
Red-tailed Hawk	1	W. Meadowlark	40
		Rufous-sided Towhee	1
		Savannah Sparrow 1	Song Sparrow 10

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Dec. 20 **Crescent City, Del Norte Co., Calif**

Area: row of spruce w. of D.N.Co. Airport and willow-spruce thickets along road to Del Norte Co. Airport [looking for Blue Jay seen here Dec. 17]; worked way along shoreline from Castle Rock to Harbor. Time: 0815–1300

Observers: Linda Hale, Gary Lester Wind: 0 Sky: overcast Temp: 50-55

Species:

Com. Loon	5	Com. Raven	4
Red-throated Loon	7	Com. Crow	15
Horned Grebe	7	Black-capped Chickadee	4
West. Grebe	325	Winter Wren	12
N. Fulmar	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Am. Robin	30
Brandt's Cormorant	10	Varied Thrush	5
Pelagic Cormorant	25	Hermit Thrush	1
Mallard	2	Golden-crowned Kinglet	3
Greater Scaup	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4
White-winged Scoter	10	Cedar Waxwing	3
Surf Scoter	200	Eur. Starling	50
Ruddy Duck	5	Myrtle Warbler	8
Red-breasted Merganser	3	Palm Warbler	1
White-tailed Kite	2	W. Meadowlark	5
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Red-winged Blackbird	2
Red-tailed Hawk	2	House Finch	15
Red-shouldered Hawk	2	Pine Siskin	75
N. Harrier	3	Savannah Sparrow	1
Am. Kestrel	2	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Calif. Quail	2	Fox Sparrow	45
Am. Coot	5	Song Sparrow	15
Black Oystercatcher	3	Wrentit	10
Black Turnstone	1		
Killdeer	5		
Com. Snipe	6		
Willet	3		
Glaucous-winged Gull	25		
West. Gull	200		
Calif. Gull	3		
Mew Gull	200		
Bonaparte's Gull	1		
Black-legged Kittiwake	1		
Com. Murre	300		
gull (sp)	500		
Com. Flicker	20	Hairy Woodpecker	1

Comments: The isolated row of spruce with deciduous understory and scattered pines looks like an excellent vagrant trap (~1/4 mi. W. of airport)

Patrick's Point State Park, Humboldt Co., Calif

Area: most of the deserted, closed campgrounds and adjoining trails (looking for Gray Jay); Sitka Spruce–Douglas Fir–Bishop Pine forest. Observer: Linda Hale

Time: 1415–1640 Wind: 5-30 S Sky: overcast Temp: 55

Species:

N. Fulmar	2	Hairy Woodpecker	1
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Wrentit	1
Pelagic Cormorant	1	Winter Wren	6
West. Grebe	50	Varied Thrush	8
West. Gull	25	Hermit Thrush	1
Glaucous-winged Gull	10	Golden-crowned Kinglet	15
Com. Flicker	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
		Fox Sparrow	3
		Song Sparrow	1

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Dec. 23 **Victoria Island, San Joaquin Co., Calif**

Area: walked from Hwy 4 N ~½ mi. into flooded fields ~ 3 mi. E of Contra Costa Co. line to look for Bewick's Swan found here Dec. 21

Time: 1000 - 1130 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0 Sky: p.c. Temp: 55

Species: (Great Blue Heron - 1 - LH)

Whistling Swan	4500	Horned Lark	20
Bewick's Swan	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Canada Goose	200	Water Pipit	75
White-fronted Goose	100	Eur. Starling	10
N. Pintail	300	Audubon's Warbler	10
Rough-legged Hawk	1	W. Meadowlark	2
N. Harrier	2	Brewer's Blackbird	25
Am. Kestrel	1	House Finch	50
Am. Coot	1	Savannah Sparrow	2
Killdeer	2	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Greater Yellowlegs	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	2
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	Song Sparrow	10
Dunlin	10		
Long-billed Dowitcher	10		
Herring Gull	4		
Ring-billed Gull	25		

+ Contra Costa Co. side of San Joaquin River: Whistling Swan 800, N. Pintail 5000

Hwy 4 × Robert's Rd., San Joaquin Co., Calif: 20 Bonaparte's Gulls

Sandy Mush Rd., Merced Co., Calif

Area: between Hwy 59 and entrance to Merced NWR. Observers: Linda Hale

Time: 1345 - 1435 Wind: 0-5 S Sky: pc. Temp: 60

Species:

Great Blue Heron	1	Eur. Starling	500
Great Egret	1	W. Meadowlark	20
Red-tailed Hawk	4	Brewer's Blackbird	100
Rough-legged Hawk	1	blackbird/starling	5000
Ferruginous Hawk	1	House Finch	100
N. Harrier	8	Am. Goldfinch	25
Am. Kestrel	5	Savannah Sparrow	5
Sandhill Crane	40		
Killdeer	50		
Mountain Plover	146		
Long-billed Curlew	75		
Horned Lark	100		
Water Pipit	100		
Loggerhead Shrike	6		

+ perimiter of Mendota State Wildlife Area, Fresno Co.: Rough-legged Hawk 1, Merlin

Dec. 26 **Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif**

Area: Government Residence area just below Parker Dam; stops along road between Parker Dam and Earp to look at River; Tom's Landing; River View Trailer Court; Big River. The park along the river at Big River has an extensive grassy lawn with lots of tall mesquites which are loaded with birds — a good spot. Time: 1100 - 1615 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 0 Sky: Low overcast; drizzle and light rain all day Temp: 60?

Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	1	Eared Grebe	20
Great Blue Heron	1	Great Egret	1

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Gadwall	3	Am. Robin	100
Redhead	50	Hermit Thrush	2
Greater Scaup	15	Townsend's Solitaire	1
Lesser Scaup	10	Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	1
Common Goldeneye	250	Cedar Waxwing	5
Barrow's Goldeneye	1♂	Phainopepla	10
Bufflehead	200	Loggerhead Shrike	4
Common Merganser	75	Eur. Starling	100
Ring-necked Duck	10	Northern Parula	1♀
Green-winged Teal	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	9
Am. Kestrel	3	Audubon's Warbler	13
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	Am. Redstart	2
Gambel's Quail	4	House Sparrow	5
Am. Coot	150	Red-winged Blackbird	1
Spotted Sandpiper	3	Great-tailed Grackle	2
Ring-billed Gull	150	House Finch	20
Mourning Dove	4	Abert's Towhee	7
Inca Dove	1	White-crowned Sparrow	100
Anna's Hummingbird	8	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Costa's Hummingbird	1♀	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	8
Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird	1♀	Golden-crowned Kinglet	1
Gila Woodpecker	3		
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	2	Red-naped Sapsucker	2
Black Phoebe	3	Slate-colored Junco	1
Say's Phoebe	1	Oregon Junco	1
Tree Swallow	20	Gray-headed Junco	1
Cowes' Flycatcher	1		
Verdin	5		

Dec. 27 Parker area Yuma Co. Arizona

Area: Bill Williams River mouth; one-two stops in riparian in Planet Ranch along Bill Williams R.; Havasu Springs; occasional stops along Colo. R. between Bill Williams and Parker; roads (Mojave Rd) from Parker to Ehrenberg.

Observer: Linda Hale Time: 0700-1145 Wind: 0 Sky: overcast Temp: 60-65

Species:

Common Loon	6	Sandhill Crane	140
Eared Grebe	3000	Sora	1
Western Grebe	700	Am. Coot	120
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Killdeer	5
Great Blue Heron	7	Com. Snipe	9
Green Heron	1	Spotted Sandpiper	1
Great Egret	3	Least Sandpiper	75
Canada Goose	50	Ring-billed Gull	150
Gadwall	5	Mourning Dove	6
Green-winged Teal	25	Com. Flicker	1
Com. Goldeneye	10	Horned Lark	20
Bufflehead	1	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	4
Com. Merganser	50	Black Phoebe	2
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Say's Phoebe	4
Turkey Vulture	6	Tree Swallow	2
Cooper's Hawk	1	Verdin	4
Red-tailed Hawk	5	House Wren	6
Ferruginous Hawk	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	5
N. Harrier	1	N. Mockingbird	2
Am. Kestrel	21	Am. Robin	1
		Hermit Thrush	4
		Brown Creeper	1

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Parker area [cont]

Ruby-crowned Kinglet	15	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Water Pipit	250	Brewer's Blackbird	100
Loggerhead Shrike	7	Brown-headed Cowbird	100
Eur. Starling	5000	Great-tailed Grackle	25
Orange-crowned Warbler	5	Abert's Towhee	4
Audubon's Warbler	5	Savannah Sparrow	20
Black-throated Gray Warbler	1	Vesper Sparrow	
Com. Yellowthroat	2	White-crowned Sparrow	100
House Sparrow	5	Lincoln's Sparrow	3
W. Meadowlark	5	Song Sparrow	2
Yellow-headed Blackbird	25		
Red-winged Blackbird	10,000		

Lake Tamarisk, N. of Desert Center, Riverside Co. Calif

Area: Lake Tamarisk + adjacent golf course Time: 1330-1340 Observers: L. Ha

Species:			
Pied-billed Grebe	4	Killdeer	1
Eared Grebe	80	Say's Phoebe	2
Mallard	3	Loggerhead Shrike	2
N. Pintail	1	Eur. Starling	9
Am. Wigeon	1	House Sparrow	20
Redhead	1	Audubon's Warbler	2
Com. Goldeneye	1		
Red-breasted Merganser	1		
Am. Coot	100		

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Lakeview area, Riverside Co., Calif.

Area: Perris Valley to Lakeview – mostly agricultural fields Time: 0830-1030

Sky: intermittent light rain, low overcast Temp: 55-60 Wind: 0

Observers: Jon Dunn, Doug Morton, Gregg Morton

Species:			
Cattle Egret	2	Horned Lark	300
Canada Goose	30	Com. Raven	5
N. Pintail	50	Com. Crow	80
White-tailed Kite	7	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Red-tailed Hawk	22	Mountain Bluebird	3
Rough-legged Hawk	1	Water Pipit	100
Ferruginous Hawk	1	Loggerhead Shrike	6
N. Harrier	7	Eur. Starling	100
Am. Kestrel	13	Myrtle Warbler	1
Killdeer	100	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Mountain Plover	200	Red-winged Blackbird	25
Least Sandpiper	1	Tricolored Blackbird	10
Mourning Dove	2	Brewer's Blackbird	500
Ring-billed Gull	3	W. Meadowlark	40
Say's Phoebe	5	Savannah Sparrow	50
		Lincoln's Sparrow	1
		Song Sparrow	1

Lake Hemet, Riverside Co. Calif.

Time: 1200-1300 Observers: same

Sky: intermittent rain, low overcast Wind: 0 Temp: 45-50

Species:			
Mallard	5	Prairie Falcon (with large rodent)	1
N. Pintail	1	Am. Kestrel	1
European Wigeon	1 ♂	Com. Flicker	3
Am. Wigeon	200	Hairy Woodpecker	2
Rough-legged Hawk	1	[Red-breasted Sapsucker - 1 - DM]	
Ferruginous Hawk	2	White-headed Woodpecker	4

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Steller's Jay	4	Com Raven	1
Pinyon Jay	6	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
Mountain Chickadee	10	Oregon Junco	10
Bushtit	1+	White-crowned Sparrow	15
Plain Titmouse	2		
White-breasted Nuthatch	4		
Pygmy Nuthatch	30		
Brown Creeper	1		

Mill Creek Campground, San Bernardino Mtns, San Bernardino Co., Calif

Area: from campground walked to just above cabins near campground; alder riparian + live oaks. Observers: same Time: 1515-1630
Sky: intermittent rain; low overcast Wind: 0 Temp: ~50

Com. Flicker	1	Eur. Starling	2
Western Flycatcher	1	Townsend's Warbler	1
Steller's Jay	1	Pine Siskin	20
Mountain Chickadee	2	Oregon Junco	1
Plain Titmouse	2	[Calif. Thrasher - 1 - JD]	
Brown Creeper	2		
Wrentit	1		
West. Bluebird	10		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3		

Stove House: Tropical Kingbird 1

Dec. 30 Goleta Sewage Ponds, Santa Barbara Co., Calif. : Rusty Blackbird 1, Yellow Warbler 2

Dec. 31 Montecito, Santa Barbara Co., Calif.

Area: [Santa Barbara Christmas Count]: Westmont College, Eucalyptus hill area, Brooks Inst., Franchesci Park, Butterfly Lane area. Time: 0650-1600
Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Larson, Cammie Edginton Wind: 0 Sky: high overcast Temp: 55-65

[Sharp-shinned Hawk - 1 - SL]		Wrentit	25
Red-tailed Hawk	4	[House Wren - 1 - SL]	
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Bewick's Wren	11
Am. Kestrel	4	N. Mockingbird	25
Calif. Gull	1	Calif. Thrasher	4
Ring-billed Gull	10	Am. Robin	450
Band-tailed Pigeon	320	Varied Thrush	17
Rock Dove	2	Hermit Thrush	56
Mourning Dove	11	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	4
[Spotted Dove - 1 - SL]		[Golden-crowned Kinglet - 2 - SL]	
Anna's Hummingbird	82	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	59
Com. Flicker	13	Cedar Waxwing	285
Acorn Woodpecker	56	[Loggerhead Shrike - 1 - SL]	
Red-breasted Sapsucker	4	Hutton's Vireo	6
Downy Woodpecker	5	Eur. Starling	75
Nuttall's Woodpecker	6	Black-and-white Warbler	1 im.♂
Black Phoebe	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	8
Scrub Jay	85	Audubon's Warbler	105
Com. Crow	40	Townsend's Warbler	7
Mountain Chickadee	2	House Sparrow	9
Plain Titmouse	11	[Bullock's Oriole - 1 - SL]	
Bushtit	70	Brewer's Blackbird	10
White-breasted Nuthatch	4	Brown-headed Cowbird	30
[Red-breasted Nuthatch - 2 - SL]		Evening Grosbeak	2
Brown Creeper	3	Purple Finch	20

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House Finch	100	Golden-crowned Sparrow	12
Pine Siskin	5	Fox Sparrow	10
Am. Goldfinch	6	Song Sparrow	8
Lesser Goldfinch	4	[Com. Yellowthroat - 2 - LH, SL]	
Rufous-sided Towhee	18		
Brown Towhee	55		
Oregon Junco	81		
White-crowned Sparrow	100		

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Common Loon

Gavia immer

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 Big Bear Lake - scarce inland.

Dec. 10 Angwin area, Napa Co. Calif: 1 - Lake Hennessey

Dec. 27 Parker area, Yuma Co. Co. Arizona: 6 together a few miles below Havasu Springs in Colo. River

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Arctic Loon

Gavia arctica

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1500+ migrating W. past Pt. Pinos, in flocks as large as 75-100.

Nov. 13 Monterey area: ~1900 passed Pt. Pinos during 1 3/4 hr. watch – we took 5, 5-minute counts: 56, 59, 85, 96, 161 (not the sequence recorded) = 18.3 birds/min × 105 minutes = 1922 birds.

Dec. 4 Monterey area: 500+ → S past Pt. Pinos in ~2 hrs.

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Red-throated Loon

Gavia stellata

June 14 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 8 (2 BP) Fish Docks

July 10 Point Reyes : 25 – summering – number seems high.
Fish Docks + Drake's Beach.

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Black-footed Albatross

Diomedea nigripes

June 5 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif: 20

June 18 Monterey Bay boat trip: 10

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip: 8 - high number for sept

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip: 1

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip: 4

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif.: 2 following in wake of freighter off Pt. Arena — miles from shore - ID only by size, behavior

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Northern Fulmar
Fulmarus glacialis

June 5 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 (white phase) – very rare in summer

June 18 Monterey Bay boat trip : 3 (dark to intermediate phases)

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip : 1 intern. (+2 R. Webster)

Nov. 6 Monterey area : 50 seen from shore (3 white phase)

Nov. 13 Monterey area : 20 from Pt. Pinos (1 white)

Nov. 19 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 4 dark washed up dead on Pt. Reyes Beach in about 2 miles.

Dec. 4 Monterey area : 150+ seen from shore (~15 white phase)

Dec. 18 Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co., Calif : 4 from Bodega Head
Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif : 1 from Pt. Arena

Dec. 20 Crescent City, Del Norte Co., Calif : 1 nr. Castle Rock
Patrick's Pt. St. Park, Humboldt Co., Calif : 2

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Flesh-footed Shearwater

Puffinus carneipes

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 NW of Pt. Piños - size of Pink-footed, very dark underwings, pale base of bill conspicuous.

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New Zealand Shearwater

Puffinus bulleri

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 3 seen from shore at Pt. Pinos — rare this late in fall and seldom seen from shore.

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip: 60

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip: 6

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip: 20

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip: 12

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1 seen from Pt. Pinos (+ 1 — D. Erickson) - very late

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Manx Shearwater

Puffinus puffinus

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 – rare in Monterey Bay

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip: 1 – "

Nov. 6 Monterey area: 2 seen from shore, 1 at Pt. Pinos and one outside Monterey Harbor — small, very dark above, very white below, very rapid wingbeat.

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 112 counted from Pt. Pinos in 13/4 hrs. — almost all moving west, close inshore, mostly singles or groups of 2-3 but one burst of about 8 birds. The quick, rapid wingbeat, small size, mostly black upperparts, dusky face and sides of breast, clean white underparts, and dark vent area could be seen clearly. This is the largest number of this species reported in northern California for decades, although 111 were counted yesterday at Pigeon Point by Barry Sauppe (we stayed long enough to top that – a longer stay would have yielded more birds).

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Leach's Storm Petrel

Oceanodroma leucorhoa

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif : 1 seen from shore at Coast Guard Pier during strong NW winds and rough seas. It was watched for 2-3 minutes 400 yds offshore as it worked its way slowly against the wind. All blackish except for white rump (no white on sides-flanks-undertail coverts) with darker center stripe, forked tail, long wings, deep wingbeat.

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Galapagos Storm Petrel
Oceanodroma tethys

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 with petrel rafts off Moss Landing which was spotted by Guy McCaskie and Rich Stallcup and eventually seen by almost everyone on our boat. What was undoubtedly the same bird had been seen by Arnold Small here the week before and identified tentatively as Galapagos from unsatisfactory looks, and much to Arnold's credit, identified correctly. I saw the bird on 2 separate occasions within a 10 minute period and watched the bird in flight for probably a total of 15-20 seconds from 75-200 ft. in good light and also saw the bird swimming on the water with Ashy Storm Petrels for 1-2 minutes, from as close as 75 ft. In the previous 1½ hours, I had also seen 2 Wilson's Storm Petrels several times, and so a fresh mental comparison was possible, although the two species were never compared directly.

The bird was conspicuously smaller than the Ashy Storm-Petrels with which it associated. Not only was this noticed in flight but while the birds were swimming together on the water. In my opinion, it was easier to see that the Galapggos was smaller than the Ashys than that Ashys were smaller than Blacks when sitting on the water. I would say that the bird was almost as small as a Least Storm Petrel. In flight both the wingspan and total body length was noticeably less than Ashy's.

The most striking feature was the conspicuous white rump and tail. The white extending from the upper edge of the rump nearly to the tip of the tail. There was a narrow band of black at the tip of the tail and some black along the lateral

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Galapagos Storm Petrel

Oceanodroma tethys

Monterey Bay boat trip [con't]

Oct. 1 [con't]

edges of the tail above the tip, but basically the bird was all white posterior to the rump.

← I drew this sketch of the tail immediately after our last observation. The shape of the white was a long rectangle with rounded distal corners. Both the leading and trailing edges of this rectangle were cut straight across.

The shape of the tail itself was also rectangular – no notch was apparent in the tail.

The remainder of the bird was a uniform very dark brownish-gray. No white was noted in secondaries and no white was visible on the flanks when swimming.

Flight: the wingbeats were shallow and fluttery like Ashy or Wilson's, but wingbeat was more rapid. Since the bird was only flying short distances at a time and since the stiff afternoon winds were blowing, this may be very different from foraging flight characteristics.

Of the all dark storm petrels recorded in the N. Pacific, only 4 spp have white rumps – Leach's, Harcourt's, Wilson's, and Galapagos. This bird was obviously not a Leach's or Harcourt's — both have the white restricted to the rump itself (does not extend to tail) and are larger than

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Galapagos Storm Petrel
Oceanodroma tethys

Ashys. The Wilson's Storm Petrel can be eliminated by the following characteristics: (1) body length and wingspan very similar to Ashy (not obviously smaller); (2) although white is more extensive than on Leach's or Harcourt's, the tail is still all black, and so there is a significant area of black posterior to the white – as much black as there is white; (3) secondaries are conspicously edged white – this was seen today on our Wilson's (lacking in Galapagos); (4) black of lower back protrudes into white of rump in an oval pattern (cut straight across in Galapagos); (5) long legs of Wilson's protrude beyond tail and are frequently used to patter water (this behavior was noted today once on a Wilson's but not on the Galapagos); (6) today the Wilson's all looked very black and white, blacker than either Ashy or Black – the Galapagos looked sootier or grayer – it didn't give that startling black and white contrast shown by Wilson's; also the white of the tail did not appear as bright and clean. (7) Wilson's tail appears broader with rounded corners in the field (straight-sided rectangle in Galapagos).

Illustrations of Galapagos Storm Petrel accentuate the wedge shape of the ~~rump~~ white patch, but as can be seen from museum specimens (see my report to CFO Rarities Comm), the shape is variable, depending on the arrangement of the uppertail coverts [the white is all on lengthened uppertail coverts, not the tail itself]. This bird definitely had a straight rather than pointed posterior border of the white patch.

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Wilson's Storm-Petrel

Oceanites oceanicus

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif. : 2.

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip : 3+

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Red-billed Tropicbird

Phaethon aethereus

Sept. 18 San Diego boat trip, San Diego Co., Calif.: 3 – all within 5 miles of San Clemente Is.

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Brown Pelican

Pelecanus occidentalis

Sept. 15 South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif.: 1 imm. - New River mouth

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Blue-footed Booby
Sula nebouxii

Sept. 15 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co. Calif: 8 imms. on rocks offshore from Whitewater River where up to 10 have been present since late August.

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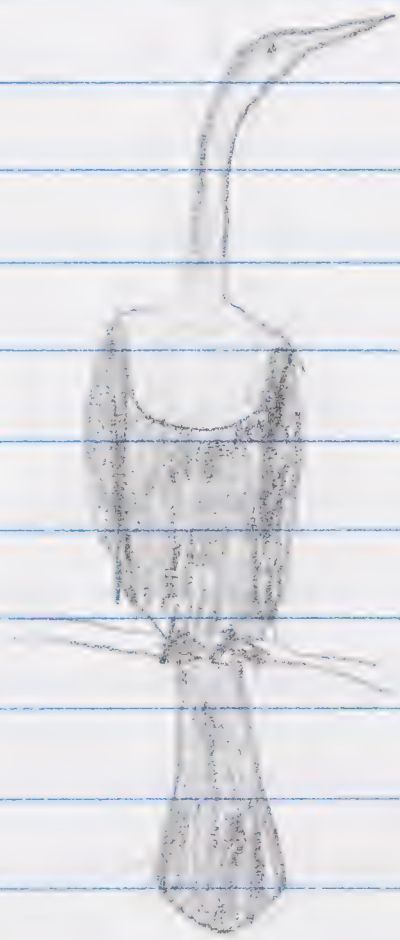
American Anhinga

Anhinga anhinga

Apr. 1 Sweetwater Reservoir, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1♀ seen in low flooded willows at the extreme east end of the reservoir where it had been found in early Feb. for the first documented California record. The bird spent the entire time perched at the water's edge and we were able to study it for 20+ minutes – pale buffy brown throat and breast sharply demarcated from blackish belly – neck, back and wings mostly blackish with pale areas on upper wing coverts – extremely thin neck and bill – long graduated tail



Size of Double-crested Cormorant but more slender. The very thin neck and thin, pointed (not hooked) bill eliminates young cormorants, as well as the long, broad tail, pale areas in wing coverts, and very sharp border between breast and belly color.

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Little Blue Heron
Florida caerulea

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 im. at gravel ponds on Dairymart Rd. where it has been for 10+ days. Compared directly with Snowy Egret: larger than Snowy, legs all dull greenish, bill larger proportionally – blue gray base + darker tip (but division not particularly sharp), no yellow facial skin, eye much paler, tips of primaries showing grayish coloration, head beginning to get grayish tones

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Cattle Egret
Bubulcus ibis

Sept. 15 South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif. : 8500 (counting by hundreds) in a roost in dead brush in the New River ~ ½ mi. S. of Interstate 8.

Sept. 16 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif. : 20 near the Ditch – first arrivals in San Diego area

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley : 3

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley : 6

Oct. 30 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif : 1 flying overhead at the pond on Castroville Blvd.

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley : 12

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif. : 14 – Garcia slough

Dec. 28 Lakeview area, Riverside Co., Calif : 2

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Reddish Egret

Dichromanassa rufescens

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 at Border Field St. Park (Monument Rd. entrance) — mostly dull ashy gray with head and neck with faint brownish tinge — used canopy-feeding technique and lots of rapid dashing around. San Diego Rivermouth, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 - all uniform ashy gray

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Louisiana Heron

Hydranassa tricolor

Apr. 24 Silver Strand, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 ad. in salt pond just S. of nature area at the base of the strand

Apr. 26 Silver Strand: 1 ad. (same bird) in salt ponds at Imperial Beach

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American Bittern

Botaurus lentiginosus

Apr. 8 Harbor Lake, Los Angeles Co., Calif. : 2 in cattails — rare in LA Co.

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1

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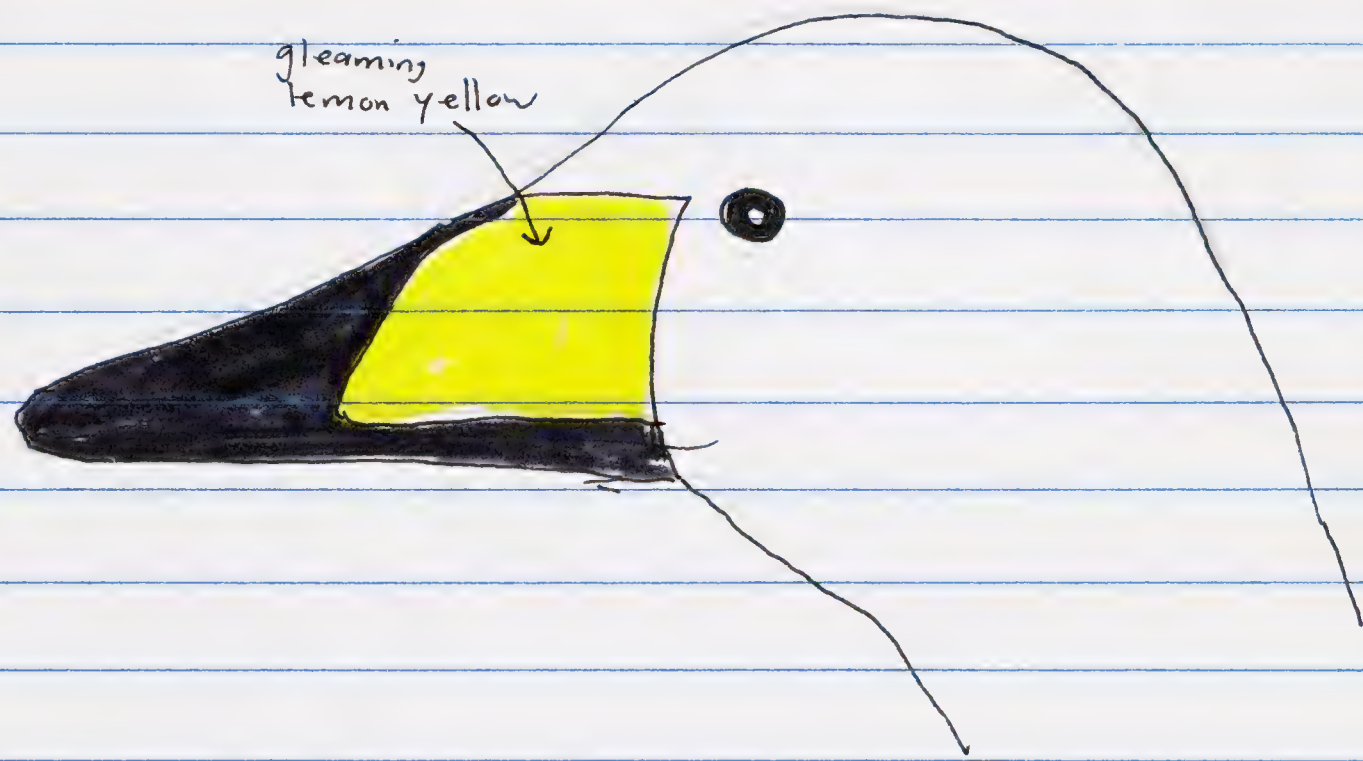
Bewick's Swan

Olor bewickii

Dec. 23 Victoria Island, San Joaquin Co. Calif.: 1 ad. seen in flock of 4500 Whistling Swans 3.0 mi. E of Contra Costa Co. line where found Dec. 21. It took an hour to pick out the Bewick's among the many feeding and sleeping swans.



The bird looked identical to Whistling Swan in color, body size, body proportions, and bill shape, differing only in the amount of yellow on the bill. At least one apparent hybrid was seen which had more yellow than a Whistling Swan's teardrop but lacked the full yellow patch of Bewick's.

underside of
bill of Bewick's Swan

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Snow Goose

Chen hyperboreus

Dec. 10 Angwin area, Napa Co., Calif: L. Hennessey - 1 - less than 10 Napa Co. records.

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Ross' Goose

Chen rossii

Dec. 10 Kennedy Park, Napa Co. Calif: 6 (5 ad, 1 im.) on "Wild Bird Refuge" pond where they have been present for nearly a week. Only 1-2 previous Napa Co. records.

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Blue-winged Teal

Anas discors

Apr. 23 Goleta, Santa Barbara Co., Calif: 2 (♂ + ♀) - Devereaux Slough

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1♀ - small bill, grayish-brown body plumage, white face

Stove pipe Wells, Inyo Co., Calif: 1♀

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1♀

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European Wigeon

Anas penelope

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1♂ - Grass Valley Lake near Lake Arrowhead

Dec. 16 Bolinas, Marin Co. Calif: 1♂ in flooded field nr. Bolinas sewage plant

Dec. 28 Lake Hemet, Riverside Co., Calif: 1♂

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Wood Duck

Aix sponsa

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 ♀

Stovepipe Wells, Inyo Co. Calif: 2 (♂ + ♀)

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1♂

Dec. 4 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1♀ - Crespi Pond.

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif: 2 (♂ + ♀) - Garcia slough

Dec. 19 Klamath area, Del Norte Co., Calif: 1♀ - ponds at end of Alder Point Rd.

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Tufted Duck

Aythya fuligula

Oct. 29 Lake Merritt, Oakland, Alameda Co., Calif: 2 at Embarcadero end of the lake (found here yesterday). One appeared to be a full adult male – body plumage all glossy black except for whitish sides. The sides were lightly mottled with brown, but there was no indication of a bright white crescent bordering chest contrasting with grayer sides as in Ring-necked Duck; the white on the sides was a clean white, not gray. A conspicuous tuft of feathers stood out on the back of the head, visible even when head tucked while sleeping. The iris was a conspicuous orange-yellow

The second bird seemed to be a immature male – body plumage all dark brown, darker blackish-brown on head. The sides were brownish mottled with white – the impression was that the sides were on their way to becoming white. This bird also had a tuft on the back of the head but it was not as conspicuous as on the other bird. The iris was bright yellowish. The bill nail was conspicuous and broad, covering the entire leading edge of the bill.

Nov. 9 Lake Merritt: 2 (both birds still present)

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Greater Scaup

Aythya marila

Dec. 11 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co. Calif.: 1♀ - large rounded head; smoothly sloping forehead; large bill, deep base - probably the same bird which has been present 2 weeks

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 15 in one flock in Colo. River ~2 mi. S of Parker Dam where found 2-3 days ago. - with 10 Lesser for comparison: larger heads and bills, heads rounded, overall body size larger, broader bill nails on males. 3 ad.♂, 12 ♀. One of the few records for San Bernardino Co.. or Colo. River

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Barrow's Goldeneye

Bucephala islandica

Nov. 9 Lake Merritt, Oakland, Alameda Co., Calif: 3 (2♂, 1♀) – arrived within last 2 days.

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1♀ – very bushy, square head and all yellow bill (faint tinge of dusky on culmen).

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ad. ♂ in Colo. River ~ 2 miles below Parker Dam, where located a few days ago by J. Dunn and G. McCaskie – first San Bern. Co. record.

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Bufflehead

Bucephala albeola

May 25 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 3 on Ford's Dry Lake. (2♀, 1 imm. or ecclipse ♂ with very white sides). First record for the region and very late migrants

Aug. 28 Doolittle Pond, Alameda, Alameda Co., Calif: 1♀ – summering or extremely early arrival?

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Oldsquaw

Clangula hyemalis

July 31 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co., Calif. : 1 ♂ along beach near radio station. Extremely unusual in summer. This was an extremely worn bird – probably flightless since most of the primaries looked completely distintegrated. The underparts were a soiled white with a small dark spot which might have been oil. The white patches on the face were discernible but much less distinct than in clean winter plumage. The upperparts were a sandy-brown.

Dec. 4 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif : 1 – Coast Guard Pier.

Dec. 18 Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co., Calif : 1 – harbor ~ ½ mi. from mouth.

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Harlequin Duck
Histrionicus histrionicus

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 ♂ with scoter flocks off Fish Docks

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Black Scoter

Melanitta nigra

June 14 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 ad. ♂ on beach just N. of Fish Docks.

July 10 Point Reyes: 1 ♀ near Fish Docks

Oct. 5 Point Reyes: 2 ♂♂ "

Oct. 9 Point Reyes: 2 ♂♂ "

Oct. 15 Point Reyes: 4 ♂♂ "

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.: 7 flying west past Pt. Pinos.

Nov. 19 Pt. Reyes: 1 ♀ (Pt. Reyes Beach → 5), 3 ♂♂ (Drake's Beach) 3 ♂♂ (Fish Docks)

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Red-breasted Merganser

Mergus serrator

May 22 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1♀

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♀ (same bird)

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♀ "

May 30 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♀ "

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1♀ near Fish Docks - probably summering.

July 10 Pt. Reyes : 5♀ near Fish Docks.

Aug. 30 Pt. Reyes : 2♀ "

Sept. 15 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif. : 40♀

Dec. 27 Lake Tamarisk, N. of Desert Center, Riverside Co., Calif : 1♀

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Sharp-shinned Hawk
Accipiter striatus

Sept. 24 Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif: 1

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 4

Oct. 2 Point Diablo, Marin Co., Calif.: 32 (1 ad, 22 im, 9 uk)

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 2 (1 ad, 1 im)

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif: 1 im.

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 uk

Dec. 11 Furnace Creek Ranch: 2 (1 im., 1 uk) - uk carrying squawking bird - appeared to be a starling

Lida Pass, Esmeralda Co., Nevada: 1 - uk.

Dec. 20 Crescent City, Del Norte Co., Calif: 2 (1 im, 1 uk).

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 - uk.

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Cooper's Hawk

Accipiter cooperi

Mar. 30 nr. Show Low, Navajo Co., Ariz: 1

Apr. 5 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 im. Carruthers Cyn.

June 20 East Mojave: 1 im. - white fir stand NY Mtns

Sept. 24 Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif: 1

Sept. 25 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 4

Oct. 2 Point Diablo, Marin Co. Calif: 68 (49 im., 9 unk)

Oct. 5 Pt. Reyes: 1 imm. - Lighthouse

Oct. 22 East Mojave: 1 uk - Kelso, 1 ad. - Ft. Piute

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 uk - carrying bird.

Nov. 6 Monterey area: 1 imm - Carmel R. mouth

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1 ad. ♂ - "

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co.: 1 im.

Nov. 23 Mesquite Spring, Inyo Co.: 1 ad.

Dec. 11 Hwy 58, Nye Co., Nevada: 1 ad on telephone pole in barren creosote

Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1 ad.

Dec. 27 Parker area, Co., Ariz: 1 ad. - Bill Williams R.

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Red-shouldered Hawk

Buteo lineatus

Apr. 24 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 u Mission Dam

June 29 Hwy 101, San Luis Obispo Co., Calif: 1 ad.

July 10 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 im., 1 u. Five Brooks Stables.

Sept. 12 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 ad - Carmel Rivermouth.

Sept. 28 Pt. Reyes: 1 im - Mendoza Ranch — migrant

Oct. 2 Pt. Diablo, Marin Co., Calif: 9

Oct. 9 Pt. Reyes: 1 im. - Abandoned Ranch

Oct. 30 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 ad.

Dec. 10 Angwin area, Napa Co., Calif: 1 h.o. nr. Angwin

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif: 1 im. - Garcia River

Dec. 20 Crescent City, Del Norte Co., Calif: 2 - (1 ad., 1 im)

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Broad-winged Hawk

Buteo platypterus

Oct. 2 Point Diablo, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 seen overhead at Bunker Hill at ~ 1130 – short broad wings and short, broad triangular tail. The tail was black and white banded

Underwings were all gleaming white except for strongly contrasting black tips of primaries. Underparts also clean white without streaks

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Rough-legged Hawk
Buteo lagopus

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif: 1 (ad.) ~1 mi. N of lagoon on Hwy 1 — tail band broken into smaller bands, no belly band, upper chest streaked.

Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 4

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 3 – 2 at Baldwin Lake, 1 at Big Bear Lake. The latter was a very atypical bird — upperparts were mostly brownish like Red-tail; upperside of tail was all brownish as in young Red-tail — only a little white flecking at base of tail; underside of tail was whitish — no dark terminal band; underparts were mottled and streaked brownish; underwings were brownish but with whitish areas in bases of primaries which contrasted strongly with striking black wrist marks. It was identified as this species mainly on shape and proportions — long, rectangular wings, long tail, small head with very small bill — studied for 5 minutes at close range from below.

Dec. 11 Hwy 58, Esmeralda Co., Nevada: 1 – open desert on tel. pole.

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif: 2 – Garcia R.

Dec. 19 Lake Earl, Del Norte Co., Calif: 2

Dec. 23 Victoria Is., San Joaquin Co., Calif: 1

Sandy Mush Rd., Merced Co., Calif: 1

Mendota St. Wildlife Area, Fresno Co., Calif: 1

Dec. 28 Lakeview area, Riverside Co., Calif: 1

Lake Hemet, Riverside Co., Calif: 1

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Ferruginous Hawk
Buteo regalis

Sept. 28 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 imm. - fields W. of Mendoza Ranch

Oct. 5 Point Reyes: 4 in the air together just. e. of Mendoza Ranch - 2 light phase and 2 dark phase. The dark phase birds were a uniform dark brown above and below but with white underside of tail, undersides of primaries and secondaries (wing linings dark - sharply contrasting), white base to the upperside of the tail, and white patches in the bases of the upperside of primaries

Oct. 9 Pt. Reyes: 3

Nov. 19 Pt. Reyes: 1

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 2 - 1 at Baldwin Lake, 1 at Big Bear L.

Dec. 23 Sandy Mush Rd, Merced Co., Calif: 1

Dec. 27 Parker area, Yuma Co., Ariz: 1 im. - between Poston and Ehrenberg

Dec. 28 Lakeview area, Riverside Co., Calif: 1

Lake Hemet, Riverside Co.: 1

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Golden Eagle

Aquila chrysaetos

Mar. 30 nr. Springerville, Navajo Co., Ariz: 1 u

Apr. 1 Sweetwater Reservoir, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 im.

Apr. 22 nr. Corral Hollow exit, Interstate 5, Stanislaus Co., Calif.: 1 im.

Apr. 24 Mission Dam, San Diego Co., Calif.: 2 ad.

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 u

May 29 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 2 ad. Ft. Piute

May 26 East Mojave Desert: 1 ad. Lime Oak Cyn.

June 20 East Mojave Desert: 2 ads at white fir stand in N.Y. Mtns - one perched on a rock overlooking stand. Both birds "roller-coasting". 2 ads. seen at mouth of Lime Oak Cyn. may have been same birds

Sept. 16 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 im, 1 uk.

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley: 1 im.

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley: 1 im.

Nov. 27 Tejon Pass, Los Angeles Co: 1 ad.

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Bald Eagle

Haliaeetus leucocephalus

Sept. 15 South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif.: 1 imm. at Cattle Egret roost along New River S. of I-8. Red tags on both shoulders.

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Osprey
Pandion haliaetus

Mar. 31 Imperial Dam, Imperial Co., Calif.: 1 West Pond

Sept. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 flying W over RCA station

Sept. 6 Point Reyes: 1 Tomales Bay nr. Shields Marsh

Sept. 16 Imperial Beach, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 - salt works

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Peregrine Falcon

Falco peregrinus

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif. - 1 ad - mouth of Carmel River.

Nov. 6 Monterey area : 1 - mouth of Carmel River.

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co. Calif : 1

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Prairie Falcon

Falco mexicanus

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 - caught Mourning Dove

May 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1

May 29 Kelso, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 - Kelso

Dec. 11 Lida Pass road, Esmeralda Co., Nev.: 1

Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif.: 2

Deep Springs Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1

Dec. 26 Rice, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: ~~Remi~~ 2 - 1 7 mi. W. of Rice and 1 6 mi. E. of Rice on Hwy.

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Merlin

Falco columbarius

Nov. 6 Salinas River Valley, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 - near Salinas River x Hwy 1.

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif: 2 (chasing each other) - *bendirei*

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 im. - in pines around Big Bear L.

Dec. 11 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 2 - chasing each other

Dec. 23 Mendota St. Wildlife Area, Fresno Co., Calif: 1

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Black Rail

Laterallus jamaicensis

Dec. 10 Benicia State Park, Solano Co. Calif: 1 flushed by line of birders going through the marsh opposite the parking lot at high tide (+6.9); it was then surrounded ~~by~~ in a small circle and one person began to stomp down vegetation within the circle. It was not seen — but had been stomped on and apparently squashed into submerged vegetation but no one realized what had happened — assumed the bird had somehow slipped through the circle. Jeri Langham and I stayed in the area and ~ 5 minutes later Jeri spotted the upper half of the bird struggling through the vegetation to get above water. The bird was picked up, placed on a board, where it died ~ 45 minutes later — apparently had been squashed and had internal injuries.

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Common Gallinule

Gallinula chloropus

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1

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Black Oystercatcher

Haematopus bachmani

Sept. 14 Pt. Fermin, Los Angeles Co, Calif: 2 on rocks below lighthouse — very rare this far south

Nov. 13 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 12 at Pt. Piños — most I've ever seen here at once

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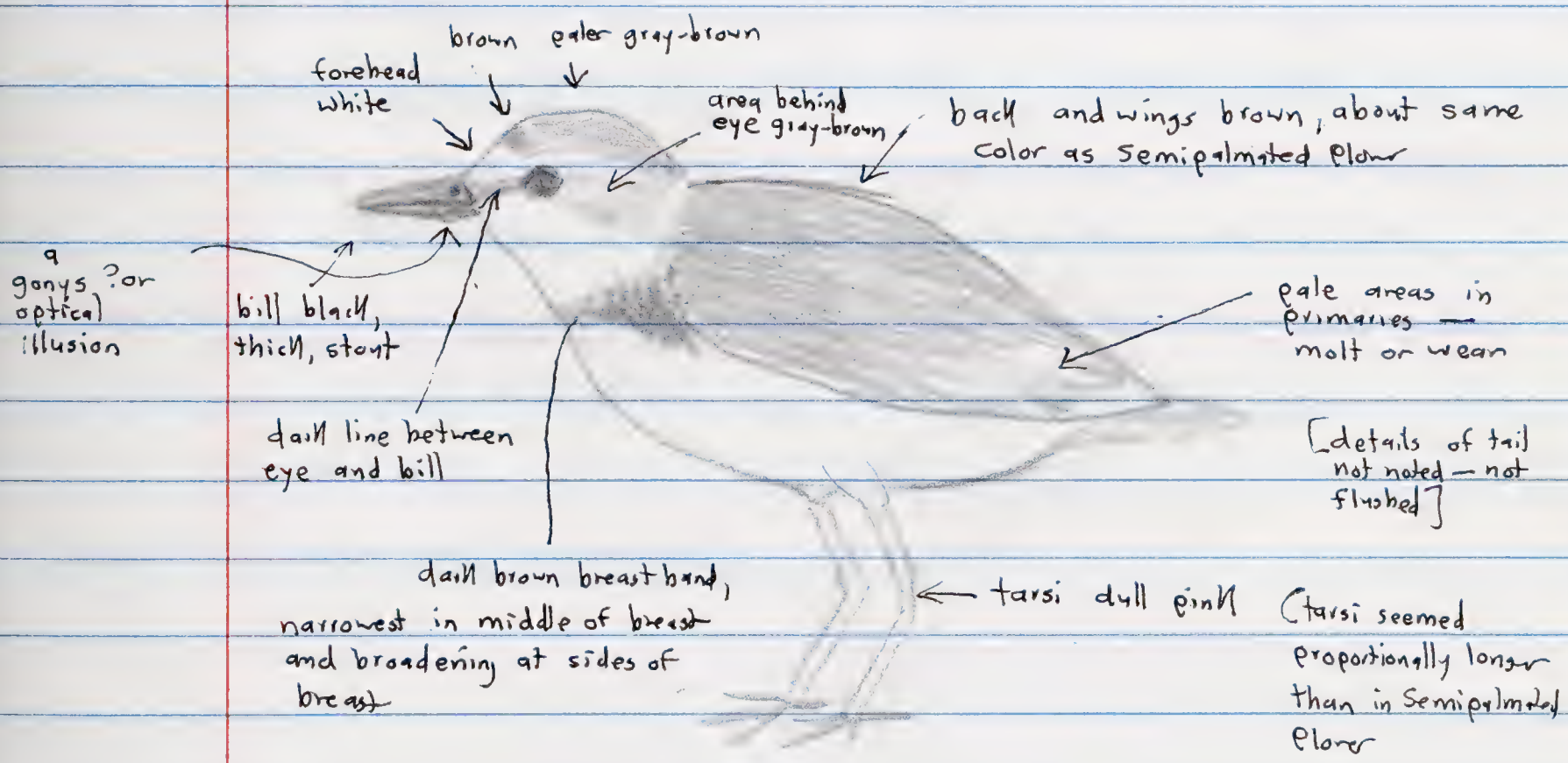
Wilson's Plover

Charadrius wilsonia

June 29 McGrath State Beach, Ventura Co., Calif: 1 feeding on pools in mudflats in SE corner of the expanse of mud. It was found here June 27 by Larry Ballard. This is the third California record and the first since 19~~24~~18. We watched the bird for nearly an hour, during which it fed along the edges of pools on the mudflats, foraging slowly and deliberately in contrast to the more rapid movements of Snowys and a Semipalmated Plover.



On the basis of back color alone, Piping and Snowy Plover can be eliminated — much too dark — about same darkness as Semipalmated Plover. The bill was an order of magnitude too large for Semipalmated Plover giving the bird an entirely different profile and gestalt — whereas the Semipalmated looks very round-headed and stumpy-billed, this bird looked long-headed and long-billed. In addition, the overall body size was noticeably larger than that of the nearby Semipalmated.

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Mountain Plover

Charadrius montanus

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 3 - 2 on golf course, 1 feeding on road-kill insects along highway ~ 2 mi. N. of visitor center. (photographs)

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 8 in barren, open disturbed area ~ 1 mi. S. of Piute Gorge in extreme eastern Lanfair Valley. Only the second county record. One was collected by Steve Cardiff — specimen to San Bernardino Co. Museum.

Dec. 11 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1 in grazed pasture — uniform sandy brown above and on chest becoming paler on underparts — no visible speckling or spotting. No previous Mono Co. records.

Dec. 23 Sandy Mush Rd., Merced Co., Calif: 146 counted in ground-squirrel colony on N. side of road 1-2 miles W. of Hwy 59. Large number for N. Calif.

Dec. 28 Lakeview area, Riverside Co., Calif: 200

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American Golden Plover

Pluvialis dominica

Apr. 23 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co. Calif.: 1 at Devereaux Slough where it has been all winter; partial breeding plumage

Sept. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.: 6 (*dominica*) along SW side of Drake's Beach Rd.

Sept. 6 Point Reyes: 6 (*dominica*) – (same birds, same spot)

Sept. 11 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 along beach and rocks across road from Crespi Pond. This was a *fulva*, the first of this race I've seen in N. Calif. It was probably the yellowest shorebird I've ever seen — conspicuous yellow on face, chest, and upper belly as well as dorsal surface. Seemed smaller than *P. d. dominica*

Sept. 12 Monterey area: 1 – (same bird)

Nov. 19 Pt. Reyes: 1 (*dominica*) – Drake's Beach Rd.

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Wandering Tattler

Heteroscelus incanus

Aug. 14 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co. Calif.: 5 feeding around and roosting on wrecked boat hulks – very high number for inside S.F. Bay, where always unusual.

July 10 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.: 1 – first fall arrival

Aug. 28 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza: 2

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Solitary Sandpiper
Tringa solitaria

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 - the Ditch

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Lesser Yellowlegs

Tringa flavipes

July 31 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co., Calif. : 1

Sept. 15 South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif: 3 - Unit 1

Sept. 16 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1

Oct. 16 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif. : 2

Dec. 23 Victoria Is., San Joaquin Co. Calif: 1. Size of Killdeer, short bill.

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Pectoral Sandpiper
Calidris melanotos

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 - the Ditch

Oct. 1 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.: 2 - Carmel Rivermouth

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Sharp-tailed Sandpiper
Calidris acuminata

Oct. 16 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 at a grassy pond 1 mile N of Hwy 156 on Castroville Bvd where found yesterday afternoon by L.C. Binford and J. Parmeter. Size and shape of Pectoral (short bill, small head on chunky body); crown rusty-red contrasting strongly with a very broad, white eyestripe; cheeks and throat also white, contrasting with buffy neck and chest; a few streaks on sides of breast but basically lacked streaks on breast; belly white; back rich brown with buffy feather edgings, two converging whitish stripes parallel to body axis, and orange-buff edgings in primaries; wading too deep to note leg color.

We had a brief look at ~ 0720 in the fog before the boat trip and then watched it again from 1630-1715. During the PM observation, we approached it to within 100 ft. and studied it for 10 minutes through telescopes in perfect afternoon sunlight. We still were not close enough to see whether or not there was a narrow neck band of fine streaks characteristic of this plumage. The most outstanding features were the rusty-red cap contrasting with the very white eyebrow, cheek, and throat. The bird spent most of its time feeding around the grassy-weedy edges of the pond, largely within the inundated vegetation. It did not associate with other species, and there were no Pectoral Sandpipers present

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Baird's Sandpiper

Calidris bairdii

Sept. 11 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 2 - Carmel River mouth

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Buff-breasted Sandpiper
Tryngites subruficollis

Sept. 6 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: I along Drakes Beach Rd. where it had been seen late yesterday afternoon. We arrived at 0715 while the fog was still dense and visibility limited to about 50ft. We didnt find the bird until ~ 0930 when the fog began to lift. We then watched it nearly continuously for the next hour or so, but the bird was extremely wary and would not allow approach closer than 100+ ft. It spent most of its time with 3 Killdeer, but split off from these during the last 15 minutes of observation.

The overall shape of the bird was very distinctive – long neck and small head plus very tapering, pointed posterior and long legs. It walked rather rapidly and erratically – not as deliberate and unidirectional as plovers. It was noticeably smaller than the acompanying Killdeer but much larger than a small peep – perhaps Pectoral size but with long legs. (crown slightly darker) The head, neck, and chest were a pale buffy-tawny – very conspicuous; the back and wings were a buffy brown, darker than the head and chest – we never got close enough to see the details of the back feathering but it appeared scaly. The belly and undertail coverts were whitish – not buffy as shown (incorrectly) by field guides. The legs were bright yellow and long for the body size. The underwings were white in flight but not as gleaming white as I had remembered Alaska birds; nor was the dark area near the bend of the wing as conspicuous. The bill was rather short and blunt, but we couldnt get close enough to see the feathering extending along the sides of the lower mandible which give the

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Buff-breasted Sandpiper
Tryngites subruficollis

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bird its characteristic heavy-jowled appearance. We were also unable to see any eye-ring. We never heard the bird give any call note whatsoever — they are characteristically silent on the breeding grounds

The bird spent all its time on extremely overgrazed pastureland, concentrating along the ridges and crests of the hills. It ignored the nearby cattle pond.

There is no other sandpiper with the combination of clear buffy breast and bright yellow, long legs except perhaps Ruff which is larger, longer-billed, and shows distinctive white patches on sides of tail — this bird's tail lacked any hint of white patches — the tail was seen clearly in flight several times — dark central stripe and paler brown laterally

Found yesterday by Jerry Langham and Ed Greaves (Sacramento); seen today by myself and John Luther, James Wolstencroft, Linda Hale, Vickie Dziadosz, Bud Fry, Alice Mericourt, Clarence Smith

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Wilson's Phalarope

Steganopus tricolor

June 5 Monterey Penin., Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 (NBP) - Pt. Pinos (Crespi Pond).

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South Polar Skua

Catharacta maccormicki

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif: 3 (+ 1 seen by others). Two were mostly all black and one had browner body plumage with paler nape (but not as bright "gold" as others I've seen).

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip: ~ 6 (5 were mostly all blackish, 1 had the entire nape pale buffy white and ~~paler~~ brownish body coloration

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip: 2 (1 ad, 1 unk.)

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Glaucous Gull
Larus hyperboreus

Apr. 7 South Coast Botanical Gardens, Los Angeles Co., Calif. : 1 first-year bird observed flying back and forth with flocks of Western Gulls from nearby dump to pond in the gardens. The bird was strikingly white, but not immaculate - there were tinges of buffy here and there throughout the whole body, especially the upper and undertail coverts which were conspicuously barred with buffy. The bill was pale with a contrasting black tip. The bird was obviously larger, bigger-chested, and heavier than the accompanying Western Gulls - wingbeat seemed stiffer and wings broader. It was seen from as close as 50 ft.

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Mew Gull

Larus canus

Oct. 9 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 first-yr — first fall arrival

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 200, mostly at Lovers Pt - in gale.

Nov. 9 Holland Tract, Contra Costa Co. Calif: 1 first-yr - unusual this far inland.

Dec. 18 Hwy 1, Mendocino Co., Calif: 1500 in fields at Garcia River — large concentration

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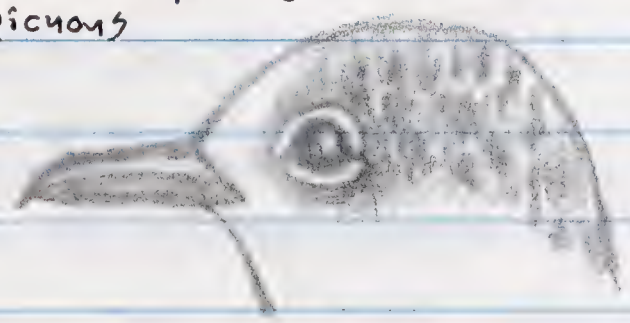
Franklin's Gull
Larus pipixican

Nov. 16 Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif.: 1 imm. - found here yesterday by others.

broken white eye-ring
conspicuous



The bird did not fly while we were watching it - it had become entangled in fishing line and was dragging along a floating cattail. Those who had seen it flying said there was a sharp black band on the tail and no white in wingtips - indicating immature. Also, although the back was smooth gray, the wing coverts were mottled with brown. No white could be seen in wingtips while sitting. The bill looked short, slim and stumpy - not long and slender like Laughing Gull.

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Bonapartels Gull

Larus philadelphia

May 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 imm. collected as it circled around the Mc Connell Ranch with a flock of white Rock Doves. Extremely rare in desert areas of Calif – one of few San Bern. Co. records

June 29 McGrath St. Beach, Ventura Co., Calif. : 50+ – amazingly high number for summer – assumed to be too late to be migrants.

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 1 – summering?

July 10 Pt. Reyes : 2 (adults)

Sept. 15 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif : 60 (as many as 200 were reported summering here)

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 500 along Monterey shore – strong winds. Many migrating west past Pt. Pinos.

Nov. 13 Monterey area : 20 – greatly diminished from last week.

Dec. 23 Hwy 4 x Roberts Rd., San Joaquin Co., Calif : 20

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Sabine's Gull

Xema sabini

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 imm seen from Coast Guard Pier - flew as close as 20ft

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip : 8

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip : 3 (1 ad. - BP)

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip : 4

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip : 1

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Common Tern

Sterna hirundo

July 31 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co, Calif. : 30 (10 ad, 20 im)

Aug. 6 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza : 10

Aug. 14 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza : 65 (~75% imm.)

Aug. 28 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza : 35

Sept. 4 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza : 30 (25 im.)

Sept. 15 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif : 200 - very high number but probably normal at Salton Sea.

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Arctic Tern

Sterna paradisaea

Nov. 6 Salinas River Valley, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 on island just W. of bridge Hwy 1 x Salinas R. - not a Common because - bill short, head rounded, forehead steep, tarsi extremely short, underwings almost completely white. Very rare in Novembe and on coast (1 mi. inland here)

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip: 150

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip: 10

Oct. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip: 4

Sept. 18 San Diego boat trip, San Diego Co., Calif: 76

Sept. 12 Monterey area: ~~12~~ 15 along shoreline.

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Least Tern
Sterna albifrons

July 31 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co. Calif.: 1

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Black Skimmer
Rhynchops nigra

Apr. 26 Imperial Beach, San Diego Co., Calif. : 5 in salt works

Sept. 15 South End Salton Sea, Imperial Co., Calif.: 35 - New River delta

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Ancient Murrelet

Synthliboramphus antiquum

June 18 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 ad. in full breeding plumage was watched next to the boat a few miles W of Pt. Pinos before we flushed it. There are only 7 or so summer records for N. Calif. Underparts immaculate white; chin and throat black, sharply demarcated from white breast and sides; face and crown black with broad conspicuous white eyebrow; stumpy bill yellow; upperparts all dark gray

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Craveri's Murrelet
Endomychura craveri

Sept. 11 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 6. Mostly blackish underwings, uniform blackish-brown above, very prominent dark projections into breast. Many found here Aug. 28 — this year ~~tha~~ is the first year since ~ 1911 that numbers have been recorded in N. Calif.

Sept. 18 San Diego boat trip, San Diego Co., Calif.: 7

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Tufted Puffin

Lunda cirrhata

July 10 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 3 seen around Chimney Rock s. of Fish Docks (where 2 had been reported last weekend). Two were seen together on the water 100-200 yds. beyond the rocks - good views. They were in breeding plumage except one seemed to lack the plumes. The plumed bird was seen with some plant material in its bill, which it carried with it when it dove under water several times. Another bird in breeding plumage was seen flying along the coast just offshore.

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 3 NBP

Oct. 16 Monterey Bay boat trip: 1 NBP

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White-winged Dove

Zenaida asiatica

May 20 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1

May 21 Kelso, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1

May 23 Kelso : 2

May 25 Kelso : 1

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1 Ft. Pinto

Oct. 1 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 at Carmel Rivermouth near westernmost extension of low dense willows near the mouth (downstream from sewage plant) — extremely rare in N. Calif! Watched for 5 minutes from about 30 ft. as it sat tamely on a low dead branch 20' above ground — fantastic views. Long, prominent, sharply defined white stripe visible along entire leading edge of wing when perched ; bill much longer proportionally than Mourning Dove, and slightly drooping ; eye appeared gold or orange ; underside of tail when perched looked blackish with broad white terminal band and was definitely square, not pointed. When flushed, it flew directly into the sun, preventing good views of wings in flight, but we could see the even, white terminal band on the tail

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White-winged Dove
Zenaida asiatica

Oct. 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1 – long bill, broad white wing patches, etc.

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Common Ground Dove

Columbina passerina

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 at Kelso - very rare at this locality.

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert: 1 - Kelso (same bird)

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Flammulated Owl

Otus flammeolus

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif : I heard twice in White Fir patch ; would not respond to imitations or tape.

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Northern Pygmy-Owl

Glaucidium gnoma

Sept. 12 Robinson Canyon, Monterey Co., Calif. : 2 heard (1 watched in telescope for 10 minutes) 0600-0700 at the pullout on E. side of road just after crossing the small bridge before you start up the canyon.

Dec. 10 Angwin area, Napa Co., Calif : 1 heard near Angwin near dawn.

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Spotted Owl

Strix occidentalis

Apr. 1 10 Switzer Picnic Area, San Gabriel Mtns, Los Angeles Co., Calif: 1 roosting in 40' up in live oak tree above the main trail through the picnic area (58 steps downstream from wooden bridge in the parking lot) - oblivious to many humans using the area.

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Long-eared Owl
Asio otus

May 21 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 seen hunting over open areas near oak grove in Carutheis Cyn; two persistent sounds in trees (like limb squeaking in wind) were suspected to be juveniles. A nest had been found here earlier this spring.

May 24 Klinefelter, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 4 roosting in tamarisks. At dusk they gave the same "limb-in-the-wind" squeaking and all descended to ground under trees with much "head-bobbing and head rotating. Jim Smith claims he counted 75 of these birds in the trees on March 28.

May 25 East Mojave Desert: 4 seen in Carutheis Cyn - 25 yds from May 21 observation.

May 27 East Mojave Desert: 4 Ft. Piute

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1

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Lesser Nighthawk
Chordeiles acutipennis

Oct. 23 Baker, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 2 feeding around lights in Pike's Restaurant parking lot - extremely late.

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Whip-poor-will

Caprimulgus vociferus

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 heard in White Fir patch. Flushed several times in daylight by S. Cardiff and L. Bevier.

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Common Poorwill
Phalaenoptilus nuttallii

Oct. 21 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 5 along Kelbaker Rd between Baker and Kelso – migrants?

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert: 4 – (same area)

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert: 5 – (same area)

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Chimney Swift
Chaetura pelagica

June 19 South Coast Botanical Gardens, Los Angles Co., Calif. : 2 here where found June 16 by Linda Hale. We had just entered through the gates when I heard the birds twittering overhead and turned around to see 2 birds. They were not heard again, but we watched them for 10-15 minutes feeding overhead. In comparison to Vaux's Swift, these birds looked longer winged, darker-throated (although still the palest part of the plumage), and spent a greater percentage of the time gliding rather than flapping.

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Vaux's Swift
Chaetura vauxi

May 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 at Kelso — very late for a desert migrant. Very whitish throat, short wings, and fluttery flight eliminated Chimney Swift.

Oct. 1 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif. : 2 high overhead 10-15 miles offshore over Monterey Canyon.

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Anna's Hummingbird

Calypte anna

May 21 Kelso, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ♀ collected at Kelso

May 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co: 1 im. ♂

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ad. ♂ + 1 im. ♂ singing and displaying in oaks in Keystone Cyn. Another imm. ♂ was singing and displaying in Fourth of July Cyn. in oak woods.

June 20 East Mojave Desert: 1 im. ♂ displaying at 6600 ft. above Keystone mine. [Linda saw an im. ♂ below the mine which might have been the same bird]. A ♀ was seen in the white fir stand.

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert: 1♂ + 1♀ (both collected) in brushy washes on S. side Granite Pass - feeding in yellow-flowering shrub - 3880 ft - 1-1.4 mi E of Cove Spring on Kelbaker Rd.

Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ♂

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 8 - 5 in one eucalyptus at Govt Residences (2 ad. ♂♂) + 3 in River View Trailer Ct.

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Costa's Hummingbird

Calypte costa

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ♂ in flowering Eucalyptus in Govt residences. Detected by its very high-pitched, Bushtit-like call notes. The bird was almost completely grayish-white underneath and rather dull green above. Seemed smaller than Anna's.

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Broad-tailed Hummingbird

Selasphorus platycercus

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co, Calif: 6 (5♂, 1♀) - Andy Sanders said he found a nest. At least 5♂ were seen below the white firs, as low as the lowest pinyons.

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co, Calif: 7 (5♂, 2♀) - Live Oak and Keystone Cyns. - breeding? Many more than last year. Also another male was seen at Fourth of July Canyon.

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co, Calif: 1♂ heard distinctly flying by.

June 21 Kingston Mountains, San Bernardino Co, Calif: 1♀ - assumed to be this species and not Rufous.

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Broad-billed Hummingbird

Cynanthus latirostris

Dec. 24 14,000 Villa Marina, Marina Del Rey, Los Angeles Co., Calif.: 1 ad. ♂ at Jerry Johnson's feeder, where it has been for several days. Bill orange-red with dark tip. Mostly iridescent green all over with iridescent blue throat; tail broad and bluish; harsh, low rattling call notes

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Lewis' Woodpecker

Asyndesmus lewis

Oct. 2 Point Diablo, Marin Co., Calif: 69 counted flying past Pt. Diablo going SE. Largest flock ~ 25. Amazing number for coastal California

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Hairy Woodpecker

Picoides villosus

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 (or 2?) seen in canyon A at ~ 6400 ft. in pure pinyons. Steve Cardiff did not seen any in white firs

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Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Muscivora forficata

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif.: 1 in tall dead trees above the pond - spotted by John Sterling. The bird must have been an imm. since the tail was perhaps only 1/2 - 2/3 length of that of an adult. The bird was mostly pale grayish with some pale orange along the flanks. Wings were dark brownish. No orange shoulder patch visible.

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Eastern Kingbird

Tyrannus tyrannus

May ~~28~~ 27 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif. : 1 on golf course

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1 (same bird)

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Cassin's Kingbird

Tyrannus vociferans

May 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 2 - at Nelso - unusual at this low elevation

May 24 East Mojave Desert: 1 at Klinefelter - unusual at this low elevation

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Tropical Kingbird
Tyrannus melancholicus

Oct. 9 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 at Jnct Sir Francis Drake x Drakes Beach Rd. Brown tail, forked; green back, very distinct mask.

Nov. 16 Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif: 1 - present here for weeks. Gray head contrasting with greenish back; tail dusky brownish, forked, lacking outer white tail feathers or corners; bill large and black; indistinctly outlined but conspicuous dark mask; throat whitish; chest yellowish-green; rest of underparts bright yellow.

Dec. 30 Stowe House, Goleta, Santa Barbara Co., Calif: 1 - wintering here.

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Dusky Flycatcher

Empidonax obenholseri

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: Pair in white fir patch - Nest with 4 eggs in a white fir sapling about 4' off the ground. First breeding record for the NY mountains. Two other birds were heard singing in pinyon-live oak away from white firs 6700-7000'.

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 4 singing birds in canyons A and B 6600-6800 ft. in pure pinyon. These birds were > 1 mile from the white firs - this species certainly does not need white firs

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Western Flycatcher

Empidonax difficilis

Dec. 28 Mill Creek Campground, San Bernardino Mtns, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 in dense alder riparian. Underparts (incl. throat) yellow to greenish-yellow; back green; pale eye-ring and wing-bars.

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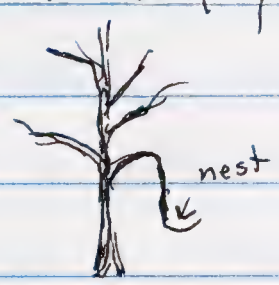
Western Wood Pewee

Contopus sordidulus

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 3 birds singing at different points above Keystone Cyn 6600–7000 ft. – one very near white firs

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 4 birds singing at different points in canyons A and B plus one bird assumed to be a ♀ seen building and shaping a nest at about 6700 ft. in a large dead pinyon. The nest was about 8′ off the ground on a branch which curved abruptly towards the ground



May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 175+ counted on golf course – amazing concentration, undoubtedly due to the bad weather grounding all migrants.

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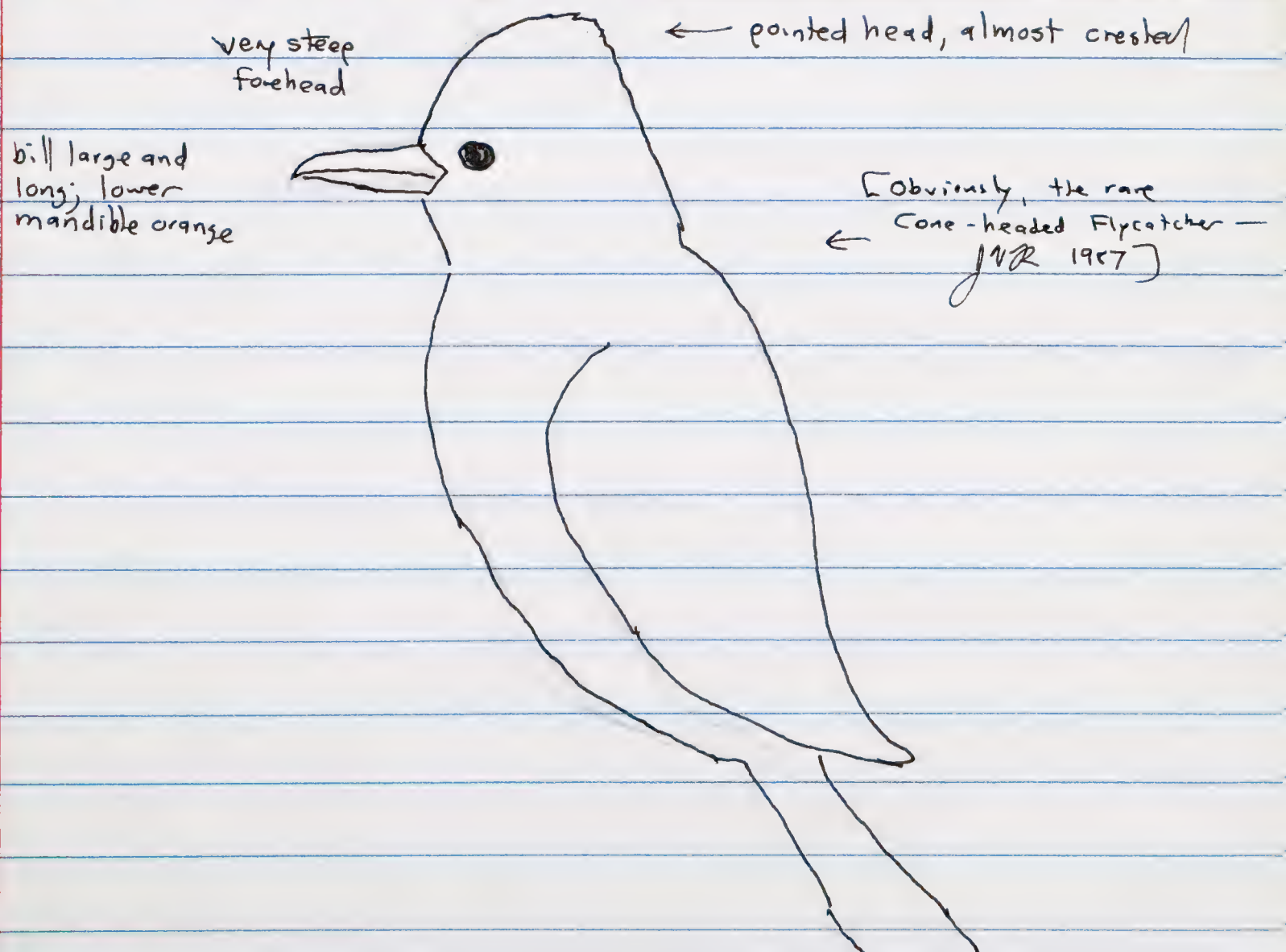
Coues' Flycatcher

Contopus pertinax

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 in Gov't residences at Parker Dam where found a few days ago. Size and shape of Olive-sided Flycatcher but underparts a nearly uniform brownish — throat paler and centr of belly paler (buffy-brown — Say's Phoebe-like) but rest of underparts uniform brown without the vested appearance of Olive-sided. Lower mandible bright orange-yellow; two obscure whitish wingbars; forehead extremely steep and head very pointed. Call notes — "chip" or "chip-chip" — sharp, somewhat like Red Crossbill. Sang 3-4 times — "José María" whistle, or slightly abbreviated version. Watched for 10 minutes from as close as 30 ft. as it sallied from short trees and the handle bars of a tricycle 3-10 ft. above the ground — outstanding views.



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Bank Swallow

Riparia riparia

May 24 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co. Calif : 1

Sept. 16 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co. Calif : 1

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Cliff Swallow

Petrochelidon pyrrhonota

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: I watched for 10 minutes as we studied it carefully to make sure it was not a Cave Swallow. An extremely late date for anywhere in North America

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Purple Martin

Progne subis

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 ♂ at Fish Docks - late migrant? - many miles from breeding locations on Inverness Ridge.

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Pinyon Jay

Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co. Calif : 2 - unusual at such a low elevation

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Mountain Chickadee

Parus gambeli

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 6 in Keystone Canyon, 4 above Keystone Mine, and 2 in the white fir patch in the New York Mtns. There was a group of 4 which seemed to be a family group at ~ 5480 ft. in lower Keystone Cyn. One of the ~~The~~ two in the white fir was singing. This is the first summer record for the East Mojave although I was certain they remained here all year round

Oct. 24 Yucca Valley Golf Course, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1

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Red-breasted Nuthatch

Sitta canadensis

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 Live Oak Cyn – probably just a very late migrant. [none seen in this area June 20]

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House Wren

Troglodytes aedon

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 1- Carmel Rivermouth – late

Nov. 6 Monterey area: 1 - Carmel Rivermouth (same bird)

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1 - " " - wintering?

Dec. 4 Monterey area: 1 - " " ✓

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Winter Wren

Troglodytes troglodytes

Aug. 31 Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif: 1 - Jewel L. - very early arrival

Sept. 1 Tilden Park: 1 - (same bird as yesterday).

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 at F.C. Inn - very rare migrant in deserts. Seen beautifully from as close as 10 ft.

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 at Ft. Piute - found by L. Hale, collected by Steve Cardiff - specimen to San Bernardino Co. Museum.

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1 - north edge of golf course

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Canyon Wren

Catherpes mexicanus

May 30 Deep Springs, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 in sheds at the edge of rocky slopes behind college building. Earlier, others had found a fledgling at this spot and the locals claimed they had found a nest. One of the few Inyo Co. records

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Brown Thrasher
Toxostoma rufum

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 found roosting in dense Am. Elms at Kelso RR station – located by deep "chack" note.

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert: 1 (same bird) Kelso – upperparts rufus brown, two white wingbars, pale iris, pale underparts with columns of dark brown streaks, slightly decurved bill. Extremely secretive and hard to see, spending most of its time in the middle of very densely foliaged Am. Elms (severely pruned).

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert: 1 – Kelso (same bird)

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Varied Thrush

Ixoreus naevius

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 at Ft. Piute - very rare in deserts.

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 - Lighthouse - early

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Townsend's Solitaire
Myadestes townsendi

Nov. 20 Monticello Dam, Yolo Co. Calif: 1 in Heteromeles bush – regular here in winter.

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 in Gout Residences – [none recorded on either of the 2 local Christmas Cts]

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Golden-crowned Kinglet
Regulus satrapa

Apr. 5 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 1 in pinyon-juniper-oak woodland at ~ 5700′ in Carruthers Canyon in New York Mountains. Very rare in this area of California - first spring record for the area. Winterer or spring migrant? Heard and seen well.

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 2 at Wendover Ranch - very rare in lowlands of San Diego Co.

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 in scrub along river ~ 2 mi. below the dam. Very rare in Colo. R. Valley.

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Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Polioptila caerulea

June 20 East Mojave Deseit, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 singing in Keystone Cyn was "appropriating" (sensu D. Dobson) Rock Wren call note, phrase from Rock Wren song, and House Finch call into its own song. I've heard this species appropriating other species vocalizations in its song before but did not record which species.

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 1 in Washington Park in Pacific Grove – rare on immediate coast

Oct. 2 Point Diablo, Marin Co. Calif.: 2

Oct. 30 Monterey area: 1 – Carmel Rivermouth – very late migrant or wintering

Nov. 6 Monterey area: 3 – " "

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1 – " "

Dec. 4 Monterey area: 1 " – wintering.

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Phainopepla

Phainopepla nitens

Sept. 16 Point Loma, San Diego Co., Calif. : 50 - migrants at this locality

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Northern Shrike

Lanius excubitor

Dec. 19 Lake Earl, Del Norte Co. Calif.: 2 in grassy dunes w. of Lake Earl — both adults.

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White-eyed Vireo
Vireo griseus

June 7 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 ad. seen along the northernmost row of cypress trees at Mendoza Ranch where it had been found earlier by Don Roberson and Bob Richmond. We arrived at 1315 and left at 1715 having seen or glimpsed the bird about 10 times in that four hour period, and only once were we really able to study the bird — not only was the bird extremely secretive and stayed mainly in the center of the canopy, but the strong winds made finding the bird very difficult. We would find it, get a few glimpses, and then it would disappear for 30 minutes. We were sure that it never left that row of trees. It foraged actively in the cypress foliage and only once did I see it within 20 ft of the ground (I thought this was supposed to be an undergrowth bird!). It sang twice. The song was a short series of harsh, spitting notes, the first few of which sounded like the "chí-di-duc" call of the Summer Tanager, and had an *Empidonax*-song quality to it. The following plumage description is based mainly on our last view of the bird when it was seen well at about 20' about 15-20' above the ground in the interior of the cypress trees for a minute. The light was not particularly bright but was adequate for color discrimination.

Description: [overall size]: very small for a vireo - about the size and shape of a Hutton's Vireo. [bill]: short, stumpy, dark, and hooked: [head]: the forecrown was a conspicuous, glowing yellow-green - I thought this was the most striking thing about the bird. The major portion of the crown seemed to be a grayish-green; I did not see the nape although Joe Morlan and Tim Manolis said it was gray; the face was mainly grayish; the eye was pale except for a black pupil - this pale iris and dark pupil was seen distinctly;

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White-eyed Vireo
Vireo griseus

Point Reyes [cont]

June 7 [cont]

there was a narrow, pale eyering which touched the yellow-green forehead – I wouldn't have called it spectacles – it was just that the yellow-green forehead was so extensive that it reached the lores; the chin was grayish-white [underparts]: the throat was grayish-white, contrasting sharply with the very yellow sides of the breast; this yellow extended along the sides to the flanks and nearly met in the breast and belly but it looked like there was white extending all the way down the center of the breast and belly to the undertail coverts. But the yellow may have actually gone all the way across the upper breast because the throat seemed to ~~be so sharply den~~ contrast so sharply with the breast. The undertail coverts looked white at our last observation but at one earlier glimpse I thought they were yellow. [Upperparts]: I never clearly saw the back in good light – to me it looked olive-brown but everyone else said it was green. [Wings]: brown with 2 conspicuous white wingbars. [Tail]: dark without any notable markings; short.

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Solitary Vireo

Vireo solitarius

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 2 birds heard singing at ~ 6800 ft. in two different canyons.

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1 *cassinii* at Ft. Piute – late migrant.

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Gray Vireo

Vireo vicinior

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co, Calif.: 2 singing birds in lower Live Oak Canyon, ~ 5600 ft.

June 20 East Mojave Desert: 4 singing birds in lower Keystone and Live Oak Canyons 5500 – 5800 ft.

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Red-eyed Vireo
Vireo olivaceus

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 3 (!!) : 1 in myrtle patch just N. of Fish Docks ; 2 in 2 different gullies in poison-hemlock just SW of Nunes Ranch. The bird near Fish Docks and one of the Nunes birds looked identical : solid blue-gray crown bordered by wide dark ~~eyelines~~ eyebrows ; pale eyelines broad and conspicuous ; irises red (seen clearly) ; cheek dull olive ; underparts immaculate white ; backs gray, about same color of Warbling Vireo ; bills heavy, heavier looking than Warbling Vireo ; large body size, noticeably larger than Warbling. We were certain these two birds were different because other birders (Bud Fry et. al) were looking at the bird we had found at Fish Docks while we were seeing the bird at Nunes. The third bird looked different - it's back was definitely more greenish and it had more greenish-olive on the cheeks, neck, and sides of breast [head pattern and underparts same] ; we did not see the red iris on the third bird.

June 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 singing in willow at Fort Piute riparian - phrases much richer, sweeter, prolonged, and more variable than Solitary. Seen only for ~ 2 seconds but gray crown bordered by dark stripes, uniform gray-green upperparts (no wingbars), and uniform grayish-white underparts clearly noted and song totally different from Warbling.

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Philadelphia Vireo
Vireo philadelphicus

Sept. 28 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 in the low dense willows near the cypress trees at Drake's Beach where it had been found yesterday by Don Roberson, Joe Morlan, and Dick Erickson. Joe found the bird again first thing this morning but Linda and I got only brief looks at it before it disappeared. We returned a few hours later and found it in the cypress trees where we watched it intermittently for 5-10 minutes in poor light against the gray sky. But then it flew to the low willows where we had incredible views at eye level in good light from 15-40' away continuously for 5-10 minutes — one of the best studies I've ever had of any vireo. General appearance: a small, chunky vireo (hooked bill clearly seen), smaller and rounder than Warbling Vireo. I was very impressed with how round and chunky the bird was — more like a Hutton's Vireo than Warbling Vireo in shape. Bill: seemed shorter and stumpier than Warbling Vireo bill. Crown: Even gray Back: a dull green, contrasting with the gray crown and nape. Wings: dark brownish gray with a very faint pale wingbar and (barely visible) pale leading edge (yellowish-white) Tail: same color as wings; outer rectrices appeared pale-edged but it was not clear whether this was a product of the light or true color; tail seemed shorter than that of Warbling Vireo Face: indistinct pale superciliary, and an even less distinct "subciliary" pale line (actually curved, shaped around eye); black line from eye to bill - this was seen over and over and over again and was even visible when we were getting poor looks at the bird high in the cypress. Iris: dark. Underparts: the upper edge of the chin was whitish but the rest of the chin, throat,

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Philadelphia Vireo

Vireo philadelphicus

Pt. Reyes [cont]

Sept. 28 [cont] and breast was solid bright yellow, brightest on center of chest—lower throat; the yellow became paler towards the belly and it appeared that the center of belly, especially between the legs was whitish, not yellow; the flanks were a dull yellow; the undertail coverts were fairly bright yellow. Behavior: foraged slowly and deliberately through undergrowth but did occasionally sally to foliage and hover-gleaned once. Voice: Silent. Legs: appeared bright blue.

The combination of black loral line, green back contrasting with gray crown, and bright yellow throat and breast eliminates Warbling or Red-eyed Vireo. The thick, hooked bill and bright yellow undertail coverts eliminates Tennessee Warbler (~~which~~ which looked more like this bird in general than does a Warbling Vireo).

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 at Kelso in trees around Post Office. Size and shape of Warbling Vireo (but perhaps somewhat chunkier and shorter-billed) but underparts (including undertail coverts) almost entirely yellow, with only some whitish in center of belly. The yellow was brightest in the center of breast, but not as strikingly so as in the bird seen on Pt. Reyes Sept. 28 — underparts were more evenly yellow. Face similar to Warbling but black between eye and bill

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Philadelphia Vireo
Vireo philadelphicus

East Mojave Desert [cont]

Oct. 23 [cont] The back looked grayish in most views except in direct sunlight when a greenish cast was discernible, contrasting with a grayer crown. But unless the back was seen in sunlight ~~or~~, it looked grayish. An inspection of Philadelphia-Warbling back color in MVZ recently showed that the back color differences were not as pronounced as field guide pictures show – many Warblings are greenish backed and Philadelphia only averages slightly greener.

The bird was spotted by Doug Morton and identified simultaneously by Jon Dunn and myself. We watched the bird off and on for 10 minutes, including a 5 minute study at eye level and below in cottonwood saplings from as close as 10 ft. Also seen by Sid Englund, Linda Hale, Steve Caridiff, and Gregg Morton.

An additional note – the wings were a uniform grayish except for a rather noticeable area on the upper wing coverts which was whitish, forming an indistinct wingbar.

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert: 1 - Kelso (same bird) - Post Office

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 - Carmel Rivermouth ~ 1/2 way between Hwy 1 and green sewer pipe. – seen in this area yesterday by Rich Stallcup. Seen with Warbling Vireo for comparison – like Warbling but all yellow underneath from throat to undertail coverts except for whitish in center of belly; dark loral line; back looked grayish like Warbling in our light (shade); smaller and shorter billed than Warbling

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Warbling Vireo

Vireo gilvus

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 1 singing at ~ 5600 ft in lower Keystone Cyn in pinyon-juniper-oak and another was singing in pinyon-oak below New York Peak at ~ 6600 ft. Are they breeding or attempting to find mates? — it's very late for migrants.

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 singing in pinyon woods at 6800 ft — breeding or extremely late migrant?

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif: 1 - Carmel Rivermouth — late.

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Black-and-white Warbler
Mniotilta varia

May 20 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1♀

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1♀ Fort Piute

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 singing ♂ in poison-hemlock gully SW of Nunes Ranch – foraging in poison hemlock, "trunks" of bush lupines, and around fenceposts!.

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif : 1♀ – Carmel Rivermouth – outstanding views as close as 6 ft.

Nov. 13 Monterey area : 1♀ – Carmel Rivermouth – exact same spot (on e. edge of sewage plant) as on Nov. 6. Other birders reported seeing one much nearer the Hwy 1 bridge not long aftr we had seen our bird – 2 birds probably present. We also saw a bird near Hwy 1 bridge on Nov. 6 which we had assumed was same bird as that near sewage plant

Dec. 31 Montecito, Santa Barbara Co., Calif : 1 im. ♂ – (very heavy chest streaking, face mask, but no black throat).

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Worm-eating Warbler

Helmitheros vermivorus

June 23 East Mojave Deseit, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: I seen well for about 10 secs. from 30 ft. in dense willow riparian at Ft. Piute. I had finally gotten my glasses on a Red-eyed Vireo which I'd been trying to see as it was singing, when I got a glimpse of a dull warbler with a strong head pattern in the same binocular field. I only saw it for a split second but noted it had a conspicuous pale crown streak. I thought it might be a Worm-eating and after a little pishing, the bird popped out into the open only 30 ft. away in the undergrowth — The three pale crown streaks and the four parallel dark brown streaks gave the bird an unmistakable, "tiger-stripe" pattern appearance. — one pale crown streak, two pale eyebrows, separated by two dark crown streaks and two dark eyelines. I was looking down on the bird and so got excellent views of this. Also conspicuous was the large, long bill, very thick at the base. The bill looked dark to me [although pictured as pale in Robbins guide]. The upperparts — back, wings, and tail were a uniform, dull greenish-gray (like the Red-eyed Vireo) — no wingbars or back stripes. The underparts were uniform pale buffy-whitish — a hard color to describe. It gave a loud "sweep" note 2-3 times — similar to Yellow Warbler call note.

The only similarly plumaged warbler is Swainson's which has a solid crown, as do vaguely similar Red-eyed and Warbling Vireos.

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Tennessee Warbler

Vermivora peregrina

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co, Calif: 1 - full breed. plum

May 24 Cadiz, San Bernadino Co, Calif: 1 - (collected) - 9.2g

May 30 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif. : 1

May 31 Oasis Ranch : 3 different birds (maybe 4) - 1 singing vigorously

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 2 different birds in poison-hemlock gully just SW of Nunes Ranch.

June 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1 in full breeding plumage singing all morning in one area of dense willows at Ft. Piute.

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif. : 2 - Carmel Rivermouth. One was a little odd in that it was mostly yellow underneath, including most of belly - just a little whitish in center of belly, band of yellow between legs across vent - undertail coverts were clean white, eyeline extremely well-defined, back brilliant yellow-green.

Nov. 6 Monterey area : 2 - Carmel Rivermouth - at least one was a different bird from Oct. 30 (no very yellow bird today). Both were seen together.

Nov. 13 Monterey area : 2 - Carmel Rivermouth

Dec. 4 Monterey area : 1 - " - nearly breeding plumage.

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Orange-crowned Warbler
Vermivora celata

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1 seen at 7000 ft. near white fir patch in New York Mtns. in pinyon-oak. Not singing.

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co. Calif. 1 at 6800 ft in pinyons near saddle B. Not singing

June 24 East Mojave Desert : 1 in pinyon-oaks near Cottonwood Spring at 4400 ft. — collected.

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Nashville Warbler

Vermivora ruficapilla

Oct. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 1 at Fish Docks – very rare migrant on outer coast of N. Calif.

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif : 1 – Carmel Rivermouth – late lingering or wintering.

Nov. 13 Monterey area : 1 – Carmel Rivermouth (same bird)

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Virginia's Warbler

Vermivora virginiae

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 2 singing males in White Firs and 2 more ♂♂ below White Firs.

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 singing male along south slopes of Keystone Cyn.

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Lucy's Warbler

Vermivora luciae

June 24 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1 Kelso - probably a "fall" migrant.

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Golden-winged Warbler

Vermivora chrysoptera

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1 ♂ singing in row of poplars at W. edge of orchard. I was walking along the fence there when I heard three prolonged buzzy notes, the middle lower than the other two, and yelled out "Golden-winged or Blue-winged Warbler!" Everybody ran over quickly and Joe Morlan said the song belonged to Golden-winged. Then I saw it in the poplar and we all watched it for the next 15 minutes. It sang about once every 1-2 minutes.

Description: Face pattern very striking and highly distinctive — broad grayblack face mask from lores broadening into auriculars.

This mask was sharply bordered all around by white. The chin and throat were also grayish black, separated from the face mask by a broad white malar streak. The forecrown was brilliant golden yellow and the hindcrown was grayish. The rest of the upperparts were grayish except for a very large golden-yellow patch in the wings — very conspicuous. The underparts were whitish. Details of the tail were not noted.

The bird foraged rather deliberately in dense foliage in poplars and cottonwoods from 20' to 75' above ground.

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Northern Parula

Parula americana

May 30 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co. Calif : 1♂

May 31 Oasis Ranch : 1♂ (same bird) - singing

July 10 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif. : 1♂ singing on W. side of the pond at Five Brook Stables. A nest had been found here in June and 1♀ and 1 or 2♂♂ had been present. Second Calif. nesting record.

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co. Calif : 1♀ in mesquite in park at Big River (where found here a few days ago) = very small warbler with short tail; 2 very broad white wingbars; throat yellow; chest yellow; very thin dark band between throat and chest; belly white; lower mandible yellow; partial white eye-ring; head blue-gray; back color not seen.

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Yellow Warbler

Dendroica petechia

Dec. 30 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co., Calif.: 2 in bottlebrush around Sewage Plant next to Santa Barbara airport where wintering.

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Magnolia Warbler

Dendroica magnolia

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 ♂ singing in poison-hemlock gully just SW of Nunes Ranch. Seen from as close as 5 ft. and watched for 5+ minutes: gray crown, white eyebrow; black face mask; yellow throat; yellow breast and belly with conspicous columns of black streaks starting at upper breast; black back; entire wing shoulder white; tail dark with very conspicuous white patches; [yellow rump not noted].

Remsen, J.V. 1977

Cape May Warbler

Dendroica tigrina

May 30 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 breeding plumage ♂ in cattails (!) around pond at SW corner of golf course — seen by 40 birders. — dark crown; chestnut, triangular cheek patch bordered all around by yellow; breast and belly yellow with conspicuous black streaks extending to belly; large white wing patch; dark green back. — appeared to be in full breeding plumage. I was unable to see the rump to see whether or not it was yellowish and I did not note whether or not the back was streaked. — I only got to see the bird well for about 10 seconds before it disappeared across the golf course. The chestnut cheek patch bordered by yellow is unique to this species and there was never really any question as to the bird's identity.

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1♂ singing vigorously at Mendoza Ranch - watched for 4-5 minutes total: chestnut triangular cheek patch bordered all around broadly by yellow; throat breast, and upper belly bright yellow; columns of black dots emanating from uppermost portion of breast down to belly — very conspicuous; lower belly + undertail coverts white; tail dark except for white outer rectrix; crown dark olive brown-green; back brighter olive green; large, conspicuous white wing patch; did not see yellow rump or stripes on back. Song was a series of high-pitched "see" notes (? 6-9) on same pitch. This was the very first bird I saw today - I was still putting on my jacket when I first spotted the bird.

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Black-throated Blue Warbler

Dendroica caerulescens

Oct. 23 East Mojave Deseit, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1♂ - Nelso. - cottonwood tree just N. of schoolyard. In full ♂ plumage except that there was some paleness in the black on the throat.

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(Myrtle) Yellow-rumped Warbler

Dendroica coronata coronata

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 1 Full breeding plumage male in the cypress at Nunes Ranch. Undoubtedly an eastern vagrant and not a lingering wintering bird which are almost 100% gone by third week in April.

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(Audubon's) Yellow-rumped Warbler

Dendroica coronata auduboni

June 20 East Mojave Desert San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1♂ singing in White Fir patch in New York Mountains. Sang regularly from white fir trees but also disappeared for long periods of time before returning - perhaps searching for mates. No ♀ seen.

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Black-throated Gray Warbler

Dendroica nigrescens

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1♀ - Carmel Rivermouth - late

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1♀ - Carmel Rivermouth - very late

Dec. 27 Parker area, Yuma Co., Ariz: 1♂ - Bill Williams R.

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Black-throated Green Warbler
Dendroica virens

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 im. ♀ - Carmel River mouth. (seen here Nov. 4,5 by others). Mostly whitish underparts with a few black streaks on sides, flanks; yellowish face, throat with darker cheek patch; 2 bright white wingbars; back bright green (fide Joe Morlan).

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1977

Blackburnian Warbler
Dendroica fusca

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif : 1 imm. ♀ at Otay Mesa. An extremely dull bird without much face pattern and in general resembling a fall Blackpoll; however the eyeline was much more distinct, prominent, broad, and long; the wingbars seemed bolder; the yellow on the throat and breast was brighter; proportions different - a shorter and smaller bird than a Blackpoll; and of course there were two broad pale stripes on the back - pattern of Pectoral Sandpiper.

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J.V.
1977

Grace's Warbler

Dendroica graciae

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: As we were leaving the white fir patch, I heard a strange warbler song and tracked it down to a singing male Grace's Warbler. Six of us got good views as it sang from the tops of pinyons for several minutes. The rest of the group had already moved several hundred yards downhill and by the time they raced back up hill, it had moved off several hundred yards. But luckily it then moved back downhill 200 yds below the original sighting, where it remained for 10-15 minutes and everybody got to see it extremely well. This bird would sing consistently from one or two trees for 5-10 minutes, then move long distances and then begin singing again, as if hunting for a mate. It was not on a fixed territory, as we last saw it 1/4+ mile downhill from the original point on pinyon-covered hillside. This bird was using pinyons exclusively - not white firs. The song was a rapid series of (10-12) "sweet" notes, rising in pitch at the end.

Description: size and shape of nearby Black-throated Gray Warbler; upperparts all blue-gray with dark streaks on back; two prominent white wingbars; conspicuous yellow eyebrow extending behind eye; cheeks, lores blue-gray; throat and breast bright yellow; belly white with conspicuous dark streaks on lower sides and flanks; tail without conspicuous marks - some paleness (paler gray) along outer rectrices.

They all yellow eyebrow, and absence of white neck patch or tail spots eliminates Yellow-throated Warbler. The yellow eyebrow and yellow breast eliminates Audubon's Warbler.

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1977

Chestnut-sided Warbler
Dendroica pensylvanica

June 14 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1♂ in poison-hemlock gully just SW of Nunes. Watched from about 15 ft. for 2 minutes — brilliant green-yellow crown; nape and back green, striped black; eyeline and projection below eye black, contiguous with conspicuous, solid, broad chestnut streak along sides; rest of underparts immaculate white; two white wingbars.

Sept. 12 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 im. ♀ in cypress around putting green at Crespi Pond. Immaculate white underparts, yellow-green crown, gray face with white eye-ring, green back, large yellowish-white wingbars. Found and identified by Linda.

Oct. 5 Point Reyes: 1 im. ♀ at Mendoza Ranch — seen in great light at 20 ft — bright green-yellow crown, bright green back and tail, 2 large yellow wingbars, white eye-ring standing out against a gray face; uniform white underparts from throat to undertail coverts. The contrast between the gray of the face and the brilliant green-yellow crown is extremely distinctive.

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Bay-breasted Warbler

Dendroica castanea

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 breeding plumage male spotted by Hank Brodkin at the edge of the pond surrounded by mesquite just off the north end of the golf course. — chestnut cap; dark brown face; chestnut throat and upper breast extending along sides to flanks; whitish lower breast and belly; buffy white sides of neck; dark back (did not see the streaks); 2 white wingbars. The breeding plumage male is such a distinctively patterned bird that it is ridiculous to even discuss similar species. We watched the bird from as close as 30 ft. for about 30 seconds before it vanished off across the golf course

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 2♂♂ - one at Fish Docks and one in poison-hemlock gully just SW of Nunes Ranch. The Fish Docks bird was a perfect-plumaged bird, singing vigorously in the cypress - fantastic views at 20 ft in lower branches of the cypress. This was almost certainly one of the two Bay-breasteds Joe Morlan found here yesterday. The bird near Nunes was also a singing ♂ but its bay was not as solid or distinct - did not extended as far down the sides and showed some signs of molt on the crown and throat. The Nunes bird was seen from as close as 6 ft. and was studied for at least 10 minutes total.

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J.V.
1977

Blackpoll Warbler
Dendroica striata

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif : 1 ♂ in breeding plumage : solid black cap, pure white face patch and throat ; conspicuous black malar extending all the way to sides where it broke up into streaks on sides and flanks ; underparts white ; back gray with black streaks ; 2 conspicuous white wing bars . Foraged mainly along limbs and branches rather than in foliage.

Sept. 13 Point Fermin, Los Angeles Co., Calif. : 1

Sept. 24 Rodeo Lagoon, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 - Battery Wallace

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co. : 2 - Nunes Ranch [+ 1 - Fish Docks by Binford]

Sept. 28 Point Reyes : 1 - Nunes Ranch

Oct. 5 Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif : 3 different birds just E of boathouse.

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Prairie Warbler

Dendroica discolor

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 - Washington Park, Pacific Grove where it was found by others yesterday. We located the bird with a mixed species feeding flock of warblers, vireos, and parids. The Prairie foraged slowly and deliberately in live oak foliage within 20' of the ground. The call note was a soft "seep" like Townsend's. Upperparts were a dull greenish; wings with 2 obscure pale wingbars; underparts mostly yellow but chin (not entire throat) and undertail coverts white; eyebrow and sub-ocular line yellow; line between throat and suborular yellow area - black; dark streaks and spots along sides and flanks; wagged tail; smaller (slightly) than Townsend's Warbler. This bird looked intermediate between the illustrations (in Robbins et al Birds of North America) of im ♂ and ♀ ~~and~~ on p. 269: the throat wasn't as extensively white as the im. ♂ and the face and flank markings were more distinct, but not as distinct as shown for the ad. ♀.

Sept. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 imm. ♂ at Drake's Beach in willows and shrubs ~~and~~ on hillsides between the cypresses and the pond where it had first been seen Sept. 2. A small warbler (smaller than accompanying Orange-crowned) with white tail spots; wagging tail; obscure wingbars; greenish back and head tinged slightly rusty on back; pale superciliary and suborular stripe; whitish-yellow throat; yellow underparts with dusky, broad streaks and flanks.

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Palm Warbler

Dendroica palmarum

Apr. 23 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co., Calif. : 1 on Patterson road near Goleta where it has been since November – a few willows and tamarisks along a ditch next to cultivated fields. Full breeding plumage and singing.

Sept. 28 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 – Nunes Ranch. Call note "tsick" – like Townsend's-Hermit but thinner, higher – not as rich and low pitched.

Oct. 5 Pt. Reyes : 2 at Fish Docks, 1 at Mendoza

Oct. 9 Pt. Reyes : 8! – 4 in view at once at Fish Docks, and 4 in view at once at Mendoza Ranch

Oct. 15 Pt. Reyes : 2 (1 Fish Docks, 1 Drakes Beach)

Nov. 13 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif : 2 at Crespi Pond

Dec. 20 Crescent City, Del Norte Co., Calif : 1 at Convention Center in rows of 6 ft. tall pines – apparently a few have been here all fall.

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Ovenbird

Seiurus aurocapillus

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 watched walking in the open about 20 yds from upper end of riparian at Ft. Piute.

May 30 Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co., Calif. : 1 in undergrowth around bridge at lower entrance. where it had been seen yesterday

Deep Springs, Inyo Co., Calif : 1 with injured leg watched for several minutes around the college.

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 - Mendoza Ranch [found here yesterday]

Oct. 5 Point Reyes : 1- Mendoza Ranch - fantastic views - bright olive green upperparts, orange-brown crown bordered by black stripes, striking white eyering on greenish face, black malar on white throat, white underparts with columns of black spots, walking quietly under cypress clumps.

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Northern Waterthrush

Seirus novaeboracensis

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif. : 1 at Furnace Cr. Inn

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 - mouth of Carmel River

Sept. 10 Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif. : 1 - Orchard Camp - feeding in pools along drying stream - found yesterday by others.

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Kentucky Warbler

Oporornis formosus

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 ♂ watched for 2 minutes in dense undergrowth of Fort Piute, within 200 yards of the upper limit of the riparian growth. As I was walking up the stream bed, I flushed a warbler from the edge of the stream and I remarked to Steve that although it had a yellow belly, it was larger than a MacGillivray's (and smaller than a chat). I scanned the undergrowth upstream and there it was, sitting in the open at the edge of the undergrowth, preening itself (it must have been bathing) about a foot off the ground. I got Steve Cardiff onto the bird and we both crouched and watched it as it preened for 2 minutes about 25 feet away in good light. Description: a large, heavy warbler, more or less the size of a Northern Waterthrush; upperparts entirely greenish; wings without wingbars; forecrown grayish, darker than rest of crown but not solid black; conspicuous yellow eyebrow which curved downwards behind the eye to loop around and form almost a complete eyering; lores blackish and this darkness extended down as a point into the face; underparts were entirely bright yellow.

Some imm. ♂ Yellowthroats show a projection of darkish down into the cheeks but they lack the conspicuous yellow brow and looping eyering shown by this bird and they are not uniform yellow underneath.

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Yellow-breasted Chat

Icteria virens

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 1 – mouth of Carmel River – rare on coast.

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Hooded Warbler
Wilsonia citrina

Oct. 15 Forestville, Sonoma Co., Calif: 1 ♂ in denser riparian thickets where it has been present for over one month. We spent an hour and 45 min. here before finally seeing the bird and then needed every minute until darkness to finally get good looks. The underparts were all bright yellow and the upperparts were greenish; the crown and nape were blackish as was a well-defined blackish chest connected to the crown by blackish "straps"; the throat was not black, indicating an imm. male, and the black did not appear solid black; white edging in the outer tail feathers was noted. The call note was a high, sharp "chink", similar to Brown Towhee call note but softer.

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ♂ in *Chilopsis* wash ~ 1/4 mi. E of riparian at Fort Piute. Collected by S. Cardiff – specimen to San Bernardino Co. Museum The high, sharp "chink" note was heard. Imm. ♂ – greenish edgings on black crown feathers.

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Wilson's Warbler

Wilsonia pusilla

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 1♂ - Carmel Rivermouth in dense patch of woods along E. edge of sewage plant — extremely late

Nov. 13 Monterey area: 1 - (same bird - same spot) - Carmel Rivermouth

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1♂ - Wendover Ranch - late lingering

Dec. 4 Monterey area: 1♂ + 1 uk - Carmel Rivermouth

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American Redstart

Setophaga ruticilla

May 20 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 ♂

May 24 Kelso, San Bernardino Co: 1 ♀ - captured in partly screened porch and collected. (8.3 g)

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 im. ♂ at Ft. Piute (+ ♀ seen by S. Cardiff.)

May 29 East Mojave Desert: 2 ♀♀ at Kelso

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1 imm. ♂

Deep Springs, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 ♀ (+1 ♀ J. Moilan)

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 3: 1 imm. ♂ (singing) at Mendoza Ranch; 1 imm. ♂ (singing) and 1 ♀ in poison-hemlock gullies just SW of Nunes.

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 ♂ - Wendover Ranch

Sept. 25 Pt. Reyes: 1 imm. ♂ - Lighthouse

Nov. 6 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 ♀ - Carmel Rivermouth - very late.

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 2 - 1 im. ♂ (orange sides of breast) in Gov't Residences; 1 ♀ (yellow sides of breast) in mesquite at park at Big River.

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Painted Redstart

Myioborus pictus

June 20 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1 pair seen in the white fir stand in the New York Mtns. One bird was singing and displaying at the other bird — they seemed to be a pair. Conspicuous white outer 3-4 tail feathers and huge white shoulder patch; upperparts and head all black; breast bright red; belly white. Stayed in the white firs about 5 minutes and then were not seen again the following 2 hours of our stay there. They did not seem attached to the white fir stand but the steep, cool, rocky canyons here with lots of ledges and crevices seemed to be good breeding habitat.

The song was typical-warblerlike in quality — a series of high pitched, sweet notes: "

" sew-sew-sew-sew seedle-seedle-sée "

One bird also gave a "chew" note resembling Pine Siskin flight call.

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Yellow-headed Blackbird

Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus

Apr. 23 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co., Calif. : 10 ♂♂ at Devereaux Slough – very rare in Santa Barbara Co.

Apr. 8 Harbor Lake, Los Angeles Co., Calif. · 1 ♂

June 24 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 2 (♂ + ♀) – late spring or early fall migrants.

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Red-winged Blackbird
Agelaius phoeniceus

May 28 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 im. ♂ at Kelso — extremely late spring migrant or extremely early fall migrant?

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Scott's Oriole

Icterus parisorum

May 27 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 imm. ♂ singing in mesquite just W. of golf course. — one of the few F.C.R. records.

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1 (same bird) — also seen by Guy McCaskie, Paul Lehman et al.

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Streak-backed Oriole
Icterus pustulatus

Dec. 11 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 im. ♂ in date orchard near highway, where it has been present since early November. Sketch traced from drawing made during observation:

Size and shape of Bullock's Oriole. It gave a chatter (~4 times) like Bullock's Oriole but more rapid and thinner, higher pitched; also gave an inquisitive whistle once. Studied for 10-20 minutes through telescope as it foraged on single dates in the date palm orchard on two separate occasions. (It picked at single dates for up to 5 minutes at a time.) We were as close as 40 ft. and had good light.

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Rusty Blackbird

Euphagus carolinus

Dec. 30 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co., Calif.: 1 ♀ at sewage ponds next to Santa Barbara airport where this individual is wintering for second year in a row. Like ♂ Brewer's but back brown tinged, iris very pale, underparts more ashy, bill thinner, tail shorter, etc.

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Great-tailed Grackle

Cassidix mexicanus

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 pair – female carrying nesting material.

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1 pr.

May 30 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♂

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Common Grackle
Quiscalus quiscula

May 30 Deep Springs, Inyo Co., Calif. : 1 feeding in cattle pasture at south end of agricultural area where it had been found earlier in the day by Mike Parmeter, Bruce Broadbooks et al. The head was a glowing, iridescent deep blue and contrasted with the iridescent bronzy-green back and wings; it was distinctly larger than nearby Brewer's Blackbirds but not nearly as large as Great-tailed Grackle; the tail was distinctively shaped - ridged or arched giving distinctive flight silhouette; iris pale; bill large and long; tail and belly blackish.

May 31 Deep Springs : 1 (same bird, same spot). Deep "chuck" note given in flight.

This bird was not a Great-tailed Grackle because (1) much smaller body size - we had just seen Great-tailed at Furnace Creek Ranch and I'm sure this bird was smaller than the ♀ Great-tailed, much less the male (2) Great-tailed is iridescent but does not show the sharp contrast between a bright blue head and a bronzy-green back and wings; iridescence on Great-tailed is mainly blue-black. (3) this bird gave none of the creaking, rattling, and squeaking notes given by Great-tailed

It was not a Brewer's Blackbird because (1) it was much larger than a Brewer's Blackbird and direct comparison was made several times (2) Brewer's Blackbird has a shorter bill relative to body size (3) Brewer's Blackbird doesnot show any strong contrast between head and back/wings.

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Bobolink

Dolichonyx oryzivorus

May 22 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1♂

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♂ - singing. They walk - don't hop.

May 27 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♂, 1♀

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch : 1♂

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 . "ditch"

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Western Tanager

Piranga ludoviciana

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 ♂ – very late date for an interior locality.

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Hepatic Tanager
Piranga flava

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 singing ♂ in White Fir patch

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 2♀♀ together at Ft. Piute. — orange-yellow crown and throat sharply defined from gray face; bill gray and large; underparts mostly grayish

June 20 East Mojave Desert : A pair was associating together closely in the white fir stand. They hung around the area most of 3 hrs. and seemed particularly interested in one large white fir. It is almost certain they are nesting or going to nest.

June 21 Kingston Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif : 1♂ + 2♀♀ (♀♀ chasing each other) seen along ridge near Bare Area A and another ♂ seen along ridge near Bare Area B. These areas are pure pinyon — no white firs within a mile.

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Summer Tanager
Piranga rubra

May 30 Deep Springs, Inyo Co. Calif. : 1 ♀ - a peculiar bird because its face was somewhat grayish and its bill dusky. However, it was definitely not a Hepatic - it was greenish yellow, lacking the orange tinge of Hepatic; the face was not sharply divided from the throat or crown, but blended together gradually; the bill was not large and long enough for Hepatic; yellowish all the way to belly (Hepatic not so extensively yellow underneath).

May 31 Deep Springs : 1 ♀ (same bird)

June 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1 ♀ - late spring or early fall migrant? This was a very dingy looking bird - very gray head and breast - the only yellow was on the belly. The bill was also not all pale - culmen was dark.

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co. Calif : 1 ad. ♂ - Wendover Ranch

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley : 1 ad. ♂ - 200 yds N of "The Clump" - different bird from Sept. 17

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Pyrrhuloxia

Pyrrhuloxia sinuata

June 19 Chemehuevi Wash, San Bernardino Co. Calif. : 1 pair in palo verde – smoketree wash 19 mi. N. of Vidal Junction ~ 200 m. E of the highway where they had been discovered a couple of weeks ago by BLM personnel. The pair have remained in the vicinity within a relatively small area and have been reported singing. We watched the ♀ for over a half-hour and she was not collecting nest material or food; no one else has seen any give-away indications of nesting. Perhaps they are waiting for summer rains which would come about this time of year in the Arizona portion of the range but probably will not materialize here on the periphery of the range – and maybe that's why they don't normally occur in Calif. There also is the possibility that they have already completed nesting efforts as is the case in other Colorado Desert birds – but why sticking so close to this spot?

The male had a red crest, red loral area, red chin, throat, and center of breast to upper belly, red-tinged primaries, and red tail. The rest of the plumage was gray. The bill was bright yellow, and the culmen was very curved in contrast to the straight culmen and reddish bill of Red Cardinal. The underwing coverts were also conspicuously red, showing up well in flight. The female was tawny brown with red in the primaries and tail; chin slightly orange; bill yellow with curved culmen.

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Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Pheucticus ludovicianus

May 20 Lake Tami, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 2♂♂, 1♀

May 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co: 1♂ (collected) - 47g

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 im. ♂ (collected) at Ft. Piute

May 29 East Mojave Desert: 1♂ - Ft. Piute

May 30 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1♀

Deep Springs, Inyo Co.: 1♂

May 31 Oasis Ranch, Mono Co., Calif: 1♀

June 14 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 6 (!): 1♂ + 2♀♀ in the ~~with~~ myrtle patch in the gully just N. of Fish Docks; 2♂♂ and 1♀ in poison-hemlock gullies just SW of Nunes. All the males were subadults - showed whitish patches in head or back or brown primaries and rectrices (except black centrals).

June 21 Kingston Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1♀ in Garrey thicket at the base of the mountains.

June 23 East Mojave Desert: 2♂♂ at Ft. Piute - first-year birds. Associating with 2♀♀ ~~which were Black headeds but not typical birds~~ - Fairly ~~heavily streaked but with faint buffy wash~~. = Rose-breasted ♀♀ [after examination of MVZ skins]

June 24 Cadiz, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1♀ - collected.

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Indigo Bunting

Passerina cyanea

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1♂ - immaculate plumage, S. Cardiff also saw another ♂ (Furnace Cr. Inn) and ♀ with the male I saw on golf course

May 27 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 im. ♂ - Ft. Piute

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1♂

May 30 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1♂ (+ 5 other birds seen by others)

June 14 Pt. Reyes, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 full-plumaged male singing vigorously along road to Limantour Estero just before it comes out near Olema Marsh - it has been here for weeks, and may be the same bird which was on territory in the exact same spot last spring.

June 23 East Mojave Desert: 3♂♂ singing along Ft. Piute (2 seen together); also 1 ♀ seen. Males acted very territorially - perhaps nesting.

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White-collared Seedeater

Sporophila torqueola

19 Sept. Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., California: 1 ad. ♂ studied for 2 minutes in row of brush and low trees along 19th St. Size of goldfinch, but with much more massive, conical (dark) bill. Crown + face – black. Underparts – uniform cinnamon from throat to undertail coverts, crossed by conspicuous black chest band. Conspicuous white area in shoulder-neck area. Upperparts – brownish-black. Small white patch at base of primaries. Rump + lower back – cinnamon (same as breast) sharply demarcated. Tail – dark, rounded.

Assumed to be an escape, but *Sporophila* are notorious wanderers, and probably hard to keep in cages.

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Rufous-sided Towhee

Pipilo erythrophthalmus

June 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1 - spotted race at Ft. Piute - must be a migrant since the nearest breeding birds are in the New York Mtns at @200 ft and above.

June 23 East Mojave Desert : 1-(same bird)

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Green-tailed Towhee

Pipilo chlorura

Sept. 17 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 1 - Wendover Ranch ~ rare on coast

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley : 1 - Wendover Ranch.

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Lark Bunting

Calamospiza melanocorys

Apr. 24 Campo, San Diego Co., Calif: 4 (1 molting ♂, 3 ♀♀) ~ ½ mi. E. of Campo on Hwy 94 in grassy fields bordering open chaparral. Present since early April at least.

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Savannah Sparrow

Passerculus sandwichensis

May 28 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif.: 1 on golf course – very late.

Sept. 19 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif: 150+ at "The Ditch" – major influx in last 2 days

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Grasshopper Sparrow
Ammodramus savannarum

Apr. 24 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.: 3 (2 singing) on grassy slopes above Mission Dam.

July 10 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 singing on the hillsides on the s. side of the road above the highest point of the closest poison-hemlock gully to Nunes Ranch.

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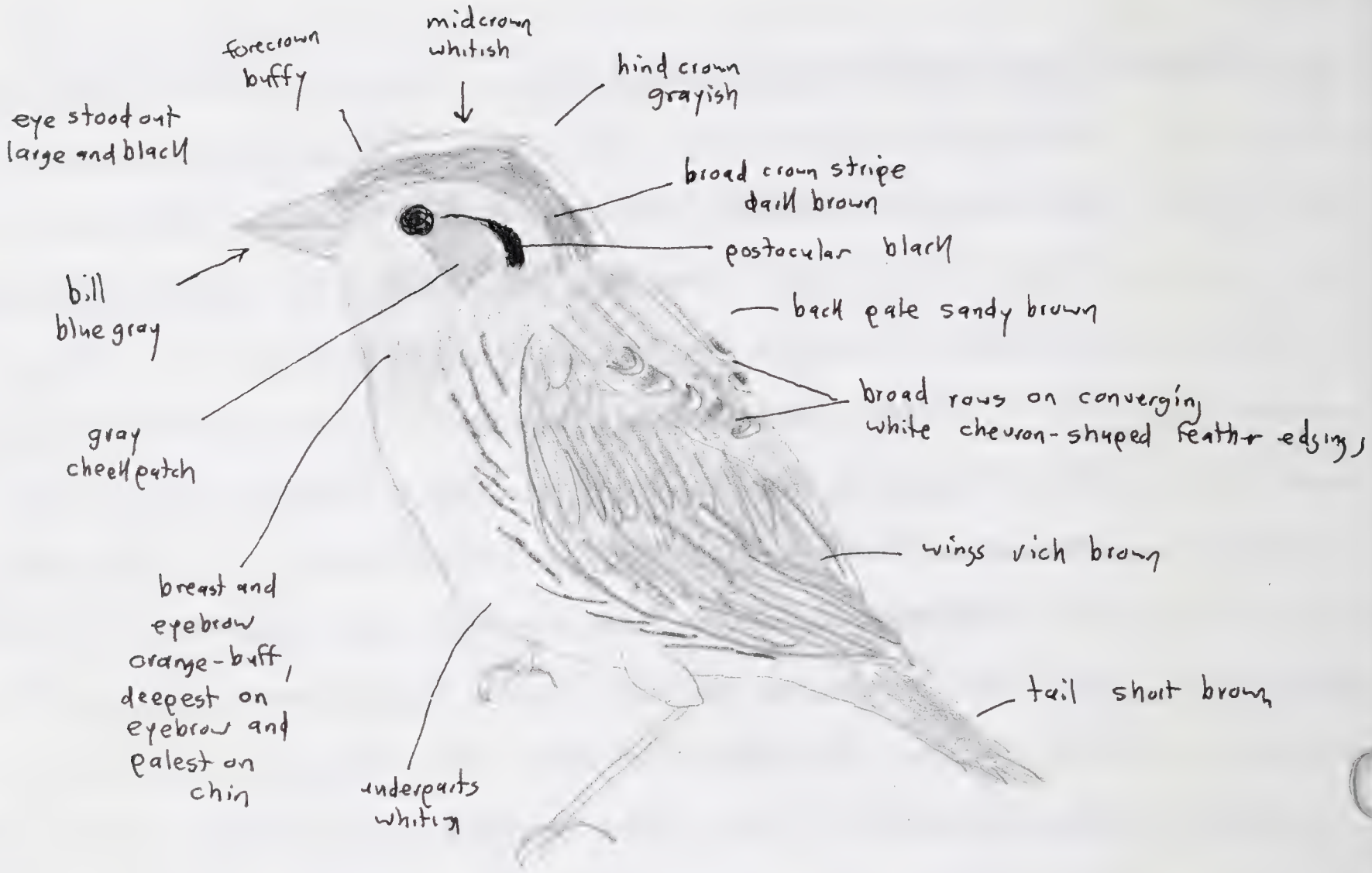
Le Conte's Sparrow
Passerherbulus caudacutus

May 22 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 located in cattail-grass lined ditch just e. of small pond in NW corner of the golf course where it had been found yesterday afternoon by Guy McCaskie. We got several fantastic views, despite strong (25+ mph) winds, by repeatedly flushing the bird until it landed in the open. It would flush and drop suddenly into 5-6" tall grass bordering the cattails and would stick its head up above the grass to keep an eye on us. Twice it did land on cattail stalks, giving us full views. Description: A very tiny sparrow - seemed smaller than Grasshopper - with a large, long head for its body size; bill (blue-gray) also seemed large and rather long for the body size; the eye was black and stood out boldly on the face; the crown had a pale median stripe bordered by 2 broad, dark brown stripes; the median stripe seemed to be of three colors: proximal 1/3 buffy, middle 1/3 whitish; distal 1/3 grayish; a broad eyebrow was striking orange buff; there was a black postocular streak which just behind the eye was almost in visible but distally broadened into a conspicous, broad line, curving slightly downwards; there was a gray, triangular cheek patch bordered on all sides by bright orange-buff; no malar streak was seen; the throat was paler buff than the head color; the throat and breast were bright orange-buff, perhaps not as orange as eyebrow; belly becoming whitish; flanks and sides buffy with thin, sharp dark streaks continuing to near undertail coverts (reminiscent of Lincoln's Sparrow); back pale-gray brown with blackish feather edgings and two conspicuous white streaks converging posteriorly; these streaks were composed of white, chevron-shaped marks; tail short, thin, brown. I did not note pinkish-brown streaks on nape although Steve Cardiff did see this. The bird was silent the whole time

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1 (same bird, same spot)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eye stood out large and black
broad crown stripe dark brown
postocular black
bill blue gray
back pale sandy brown
broad rows on converging white chevron-shaped feather edging
gray cheek patch
wings rich brown
breast and eyebrow orange-buff, deepest on eyebrow and palest on chin
tail short brown
underparts white

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Lark Sparrow

Chondestes grammicus

Oct. 9 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.: 1 in draw below Nunes Ranch – very rare on outer Pt. Reyes

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Sharp-tailed Sparrow
Ammospiza caudacuta

Nov. 19 Bolinas Lagoon, Marin Co. Calif: 1 in small (10' x 50') patch of cattails along NW edge of the lagoon where found a couple of days ago. A small, short-tailed sparrow roughly the size and shape of a Grasshopper Sparrow but with a slimmer bill. Crown: gray central stripe bordered by broad brown stripes on either side Face: buffy-orange with gray, triangular cheek patch; dark postocular stripe bordering cheek patch and buff-orange eyebrow - the postocular stripe bent around the corner of the cheek patch. Underparts: throat whitish, breast washed with orange buff; some faint short streaks on sides; belly + undertail coverts whitish. Back: 2 pairs of striking white streaks converging towards the lower back; a narrow gray collar separated back from head but the collar was incomplete in the center of the back. Rest of back brown - details of pattern not recorded. Wings: basically brown, but details of the pattern not recorded. Tail: thin, spindly, pointed. Seen well for about 10 seconds in the tops of cattails at about 20' in good light and once again in a similar conditions for about 2 seconds.

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Rufous-crowned Sparrow

Aimophila ruficeps

May 26 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1 singing vigorously all morning on south-facing slopes of Live Oak Cyn in the exact same spot as last summer (slopes just above and east of the mine).

June 20 East Mojave Desert: 1 collected (by S. Cardiff) in lower Keystone Cyn at ~ 5600 ft. as it sang on south-facing slopes covered with pinyon-juniper.

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Gray-headed Junco

Junco dorsalis

Dec. 26 Parker Dam, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 1 at Big River Park where seen 2-3 days ago. Overall paler gray than Oregon; back contrasting bright rusty, lores blackish, flanks definitely gray.

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Chipping Sparrow

Spizella passerina

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 2 (one singing) in pinyons at Base Area A.

Nov. 13 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 1 ad-BP — mouth of Carmel River in garden at sewage plant.

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Clay-colored Sparrow
Spizella pallida

Sept. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif: 1 in the valley to the West of the cypress at Nunes Ranch, but before the cattle pond; where it had been found yesterday. A small sparrow, smaller and slimmer than nearby Savannahs, with a long tail — typical Spizella shape. The breast was a clear sandy-buff and the belly was whitish — no gray at all; the triangular cheek patch was strong and conspicuous; a gray wash formed a hindcollar which contrasting with the rest of the sandy-brown upperparts. The details of the crown were never seen clearly but the buffy chest and strong cheek patch eliminate Brewer's and Chipping. Found 2 days ago by Binford and Parmeters

Oct. 9 Point Reyes: 2 - 1 in draw w. of Nunes (LCB) and 1 in lupines (VR) around pond at the "T" junction a few hundred yds. from Nunes Ranch. Both birds had strong triangular cheek patches, no line from eye to bill, pale streak through crown, gray collar contrasting with sandy-brown back, and underparts too pale for Chipping. Flight note softer than the metallic flight note of Chipping

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Harris' Sparrow

Zonotrichia querula

Apr. 23 Santa Barbara area, Santa Barbara Co. Calif: 1 heard only near Goleta at a feeder where it had wintered. The bird sang back and forth with me, responding to my imitations, but would never come out of the dense undergrowth - we never did see the bird. Most of the song phrases given were 3 note, monotone, high-pitched whistles similar in quality to the song of White-throated Sparrow. As an introduction to another richer song, it gave perfect imitations of House Sparrow calls.

Nov. 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co. Calif: 2

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Golden-crowned Sparrow

Zonotrichia atricapilla

May 21 Kelso, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 1♀ collected at water tank; extremely late for Calif., and an unusual species at any time on desert.

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 2 at Ft. Piute – one collected by Steve Cardiff – specimen to San Bernardino Co. Museum

Nov. 23 Scotty's Castle, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 im.

Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 im.

Dec. 11 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1 im.

Scotty's Castle: 1 im.

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White-throated Sparrow
Zonotrichia albicollis

Oct. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 imm in weed field at Nunes Ranch

Oct. 9 Point Reyes: 1 ad around the pond at the "T" junction in the road 200 yds from Nunes Ranch

Dec. 31 Santa Barbara Nat. Hist. Museum, Santa Barbara Co., Calif.: 2 - 1 ad., 1 uk.

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Fox Sparrow

Passerella iliaca

Sept. 10 Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif.: 2 around w. side of Jewel Lake. Very early fall arrivals. Large sparrow, all uniform dark brown upperparts without any markings, yellow lower mandible, blotched breast, sharp rich call.

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 collected at Ft. Piute which was a very reddish bird – an Eastern race, probably *iliaca*. Specimen to San Bernardino Co. Museum

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Swamp Sparrow

Melospiza georgiana

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1 ad.

Nov. 26 Tijuana River Valley, San Diego Co., Calif : 1 im. Call note like thin Black Phoebe.

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McCown's Longspur

Rhynchophanes mccowni

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co. Calif.: 1 with Horned Larks ~ 1 mi. S of Piute Gorge in extreme eastern Lanfair Valley in a barren, open, disturbed area. Tail appeared mostly white with a triangular black tip. Gave a rattle in flight similar to Lapland Longspur but higher-pitched and different in tone. On the ground appeared rather non-descript - no strong face pattern, mostly gray-brown.

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert: 2 - same area.

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Lapland Longspur
Calcarius lapponicus

Oct. 5 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 12 (9 in view at once) in fields S. of Hall Ranch.

Oct. 9 Pt. Reyes: 16 - same field

Oct. 15 Pt. Reyes: ~8 "

Nov. 19 Pt. Reyes: 6 - "

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Chestnut-collared Longspur

Calcarius ornatus

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 2 at Ford's Dry Lake – J.D. by call as they flew off in the distance after circling once overhead – double-noted, rich note different from other longspur rattles

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert: 1♂ at the barren area ~1 mi. S. of Piute Gorge; 4 in a grassy area in Lanfair Valley ~5 mi. E. of Juanpah Rd.

Nov. 19 Pt. Repes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 – Hall Ranch

Nov. 25 San Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 25 Baldwin Lake

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Snow Bunting

Plectrophenax nivalis

Nov. 20 Monticello Dam, Yolo Co., Calif.: 1 seen along dirt path at the base of the dam (where found yesterday by Rich Stallcup) - studied for 20+ minutes from 6-30 ft in great light. An extremely tame bird

Although we arrived at 0745 the bird did not appear until 0900 when suddenly Mrs. Langham spotted it on a rock near the area which had been searched the most intensively of any — near where it had been seen yesterday. It flew into the middle of the group of birders and began feeding at their feet. The overall size was nearly that of a Brown Towhee. The contrast between the large head and the small bill gave the bird a very distinctive gestalt.

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Evening Grosbeak

Hesperiphona vespertina

May 21 Clark Mountain, San Bernardino Co., Calif: ♂ + ♀ stayed in White Fir patch all morning - nesting?

May 23 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1

Oct. 2 Pt. Diablo, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 h.o.

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch: 1♂

Oct. 23 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1♂ - Kelso

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert: 3 - Ft. Piute

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert: 1♂ - Kelso

Yucca Valley Golf Course, San Bernardino Co. Calif: 1 h.o.

Oct. 30 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif: 2 - Carmel Rivermouth

Dec. 31 Montecito, Santa Barbara Co., Calif.: 2

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Cassin's Finch

Carpodacus cassini

June 21 Kingston Range, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 ♀ at ~ 6200 ft. in pure pinyons. Steve Cardiff did not see any in white firs

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif: 1 ♂ - very rare at this locality

Oct. 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif.: 1 ♀ - Ft. Piute.

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Lawrence's Goldfinch

Carduelis lawrencei

Sept. 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co, Calif : 1 overhead at mouth of Carmel River, — rare on coast

Sept. 16 Point Loma, San Diego Co., Calif : 1 overhead

Sept. 25 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1- Abandoned Ranch

Oct. 2 Pt. Diablo, Marin Co., Calif : 1

Oct. 21 Furnace Creek Ranch, Inyo Co., Calif : 1♂ - very unusual at this locality

Oct. 24 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif. : 1♂ - Kelso - very unusual at this locality

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Red Crossbill

Loxia curvirostra

May 22 East Mojave Desert, San Bernardino Co., Calif: 7 in Carutheis Cyn — (1♂ collected) - very strange date and locality.

Nov. 16 Lake Merced, San Francisco Co., Calif.: 1 heard flying over

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